

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION-PRIVACY ACTS SECTION

SUBJECT: VVAW

FILE NO: HQ 100-448092

SECTION: 73

PAGES REVIEWED: 214

PAGES RELEASED: 207

REFERRALS: Ø

EXEMPTIONS: b1, b2, b7C, b7D, b6

MESSAGE RELAY

Transmit in ☐ Plaintext ☒ Code Via Teletype the Attached ☐ Immediate ☐ Urgent ☒ Nitel Message Date 5-17-75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: Legats:

296093001
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/5/95 BY SP6 BJA/UK

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President ☐ The Vice President ☐ White House Situation Room
RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General ☒ Deputy Attorney General ☐ Attn:
☒ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit
RUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division
RUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
☒ Attn: Internal Security Section ☒ Attn: General Crimes Section
RUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement Administration RUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.
RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization Service RUEOIAA/ ☐ National Security Agency
(DIRNSA/NSOC (Aun: SOO))
RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's Service RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative Service
RUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI) RUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
(Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified)
RUEACSI/ ☐ Department of the Army RUEHSE/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)
RUEAIIA/ ☐ Director, CIA RUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of State
RUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard RUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of Transportation
RUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency Attn: Director of Security
RHEGGTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development Administration
RUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration

MAY 17 1975
10 5 1026P
TELETYPE

SL 104

REC-7 100-448092-4261

14 MAY 19 1975

Asst. Dir. _____
Dep. AD Adm. _____
Dep. AD Inv. _____
Asst. Dir.: _____
Admin. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Inspection _____
Intell. _____
Laboratory _____
Legal Coun. _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

Classification: ☐ Top Secret
☐ Secret
☐ Confidential
☒ Unclassified

Foreign Liaison Unit
☐ Route through for review
☐ Cleared telephonically
with _____

Subject (Text begins next page):

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND,

MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☒

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D.-Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D.-Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

~~RT 002 SA CODE~~

~~743 PM NITEL 5/17/75 ALF~~

~~1-1 DIRECTOR~~

~~CHICAGO~~

~~NEW YORK (100-106644)~~

~~WFO (100-59344)~~

~~FROM: BALTIMORE (100-33120) 1~~

~~ATTENTION: INFO~~

~~DEMONSTRATION STAGED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR~~

~~WHICH SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), AT FORT MEADE,~~

~~MARYLAND, MAY 17, 1975, IS VVAW/WSO.~~

ON MAY 17, 1975, SPECIAL AGENTS OF THE FBI OBSERVED CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MEADE, AT FORT LIQUORS, 1020 ANNAPOLIS ROAD, ODENTON, MARYLAND, BEGINNING AT NOON. GROUP REPRESENTING VVAW/WSO CHANTED SLOGANS AND CARRIED PLAQUES AND SIGNS " U.S. STAY OUT OF INDOCHINA", "STOP RF HARASSMENT", "GI'S AND VETS UNITE", WE WON'T FIGHT IMPERIALIST WAR", "SUPER POWERS HANDS OFF MIDEAST", "VICTORY TO INDOCHINESE PEOPLE." GROUP APPARENTLY FROM NEW YORK, CARRIED BANNER BEARING TITLE VVAW/WSO/NYC.

BETWEEN 75 TO 100 INDIVIDUALS TOOK PART IN THIS DEMONSTRATION WHICH PROCEEDED TO THE ENTRANCE OF FORT

PAGE TWO ~~ON 100-30123~~

MEADE WHERE ARMED FORCES DAY CELEBRATION DAY WAS HELD.
MILITARY POLICE CONTINGENT ASSEMBLED AND NO DEMONSTRATORS
ENTERED THE POST.

NO INCIDENTS OR ARRESTS WERE REPORTED AND THE GROUP
DISBANDED AT 2:15 P.M.

THE VVAW, FORMED IN 1967, BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST
UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA
(CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/WSO IN 1973 TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS
AS MEMBERS), HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT
DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO
LEADERS VOTED IN DECEMBER, 1974 TO ALIGN VVAW/WSO WITH
THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) WHICH ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS
A STRICT MARXIST LINE DESIGNATED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT
REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

~~ADMINISTRATIVE~~

~~LA SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE MAY 10, 1975; NEW ORLEANS MAY 13,~~

~~1975; NEW YORK OFFICE, MAY 17, 1975.~~

~~SPECIAL AGENT [REDACTED] AT [REDACTED] RECEIVED~~

~~THE DEMONSTRATION AT FORT MEADE. NO CHA FOLLOWS.~~

END

b7c

MESSAGE RELAY

Transmit in ☐ Plaintext ☐ Code
 Via Teletype the Attached ☐ Immediate ☐ Urgent ☐ Nitel Message

Date 5-16-75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAY 16 1975

TELETYPE

To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President ☐ The Vice President ☐ White House Situation Room
☐ Attn: ☐ Attn:

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General ☒ Deputy Attorney General
☒ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights DivisionRUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
☒ Attn: Internal Security Section ☒ Attn: General Crimes Section
RUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement AdministrationRUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization ServiceRUEOIAA/ ☐ National Security Agency
(DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOO))RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's ServiceRUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative Service
RUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
(Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified)RUEAGSI/ ☐ Department of the ArmyRUEHSE/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)RUEAIA/ ☐ Director, CIARUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of StateRUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast GuardRUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of Transportation
Attn: Director of SecurityRUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence AgencyRHEGGTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development
AdministrationRUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration

Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____
 Asst. Dir.: _____
 Admin. _____
 Comp. Syst. _____
 Ext. Affairs _____
 Files & Com. _____
 Gen. Inv. _____
 Ident. _____
 Inspection _____
 Intell. _____
 Laboratory _____
 Legal Coun. _____
 Plan. & Eval. _____
 Spec. Inv. _____
 Training _____
 Telephone Rm. _____
 Director Sec'y _____

Classification:

☐ Top Secret
☐ Secret
☐ Confidential
☒ Unclassified

Subject (Text begins next page):

**PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTERS
 SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) AT US FEDERAL BUILDING, CINCINNATI,
 OHIO, MAY 15-16, 1975.**
 MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

F106 56 JUN 03 1975

Foreign Liaison Unit

☐ Route through for review
☐ Cleared telephonically
 with _____

m 97

~~R 284 61 CODE~~

~~5:40PM NITEL 5/16/75 CFR~~

~~TO DIRECTOR~~

~~FROM CINCINNATI (100-22183) P~~

~~ATTN: ITO~~

PROPOSED DEMONSTRATION BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) AT US FEDERAL BUILDING,
CINCINNATI, OHIO, MAY 15-16, 1975.

A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE
PAST, ADVISED ON MAY 15, 1975, THAT FIVE PERSONS APPEARED IN THE
VICINITY OF THE FEDERAL BUILDING, CINCINNATI, ON MAY 15, 1975, AND
SPENT A SHORT TIME PASSING OUT LEAFLETS DESCRIBING THE UNITED
STATES AS THE "REAL PIRATES" IN THE INCIDENT INVOLVING THE
SEIZURE OF THE US SHIP MAYAGUEZ. THE SAME SOURCE ADVISED ON
MAY 16, 1975, THAT 23 PERSONS APPEARED AT THE FEDERAL BUILDING,
CINCINNATI AT ABOUT 2:30PM, AND PASSED OUT THE SAME LEAFLET AS
HAD BEEN DISTRIBUTED ON MAY 15, 1975. NO INCIDENTS NOR ARESTS
OCCURRED ON EITHER MAY 15 OR 16, 1975. DEMONSTRATORS ON MAY 16,
1975, CARRIED BANNERS OF THE VVAW/WSO AND THE REVOLUTIONARY
STUDENT BRIGADE.

~~CHARACTERIZATION~~ VVAW/WSO LEADERS HAVE TOLD THEIR MEMBERS THAT THE VVAW/WSO IS A REVOLUTIONARY GROUP WHICH HAS BEEN ASKED TO COOPERATE ON AN INTERNATIONAL LEVEL WITH MANY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING COMMUNIST AND MARXIST GROUPS.

~~CHARACTERIZATION~~ THE REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT BRIGADE IS A STUDENT BASED ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN 1971 AND CONSIDERS ITSELF TO BE AN ANTI - IMPERIALIST ORGANIZATION WHICH VIEWS US IMPERIALISM AS MAIN ENEMY OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD. ONE OF ITS OBJECTIVES IS TO HELP BUILD REVOLUTIONARY STUDENT MOVEMENT AND A PART OF OVER ALL REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT THAT WILL DEFEAT U. S. IMPERIALISM.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

~~RE CINCINNATI TELETYPE MAY 15, 1974~~

SOURCE HEREIN IS [REDACTED]

b2
b7D

NO LHM IS BEING SUBMITTED. UACB.

END.

~~MAN BEING ACK FOR CONF~~

~~WA CLR~~

MESSAGE RELAY

 Transmit in ☐ Plaintext
☒ Code

Via Teletype the Attached

☐ Immediate
☐ Urgent
☒ Nitel

Message

Date 5.15.75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: Legats:

 DECLASSIFIED BY SP2C JK
 ON 7-5-95
To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President☐ The Vice President☐ White House Situation Room☐ Attn:☐ Attn:FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTIONRUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General☒ Deputy Attorney General☒ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation UnitRUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights DivisionRUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division☒ Attn: Internal Security Section☒ Attn: General Crimes Section

MAY 15 1975 1230

TELETYPE

RUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement AdministrationRUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization ServiceRUEOIAA/ ☐ National Security Agency
(DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOD))RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's ServiceRUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative ServiceRUEACSI/ ☐ Department of the ArmyRUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
(Use RUEVDES if Unclassified)RUEAHIA/ ☐ Director, CIARUEHSE/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)RUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast GuardRUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of StateRUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence AgencyRUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of TransportationRHEGGTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development
Administration

Attn: Director of Security

RUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration

22 MAY 19 1975


 Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____
 Asst. Dir.: _____
 Admin. _____
 Comp. Syst. _____
 Ext. Affairs _____
 Files & Com. _____
 Gen. Inv. _____
 Ident. _____
 Inspection _____
 Intell. _____
 Laboratory _____
 Legal Coun. _____
 Plan. & Eval. _____
 Spec. Inv. _____
 Training _____
 Telephone Rm. _____
 Director Sec'y _____
☐ Top Secret☐ Secret

Classification:

☒ Confidential☐ Unclassified

Subject (Text begins next page):

 Demonstration sponsored by VVAW/WSO against
 the war, at Fort Meade, Md. 5-17-75.
MAIL ROOM ☐TELETYPE UNIT ☐

ARM/FAT

Foreign Liaison Unit

☐ Route through for review☐ Cleared telephonically

with _____

RCS/FAT

IV

NY 625 BA GUBED

7-19-75 TEL 54107-1000

TO DIRECTOR (ATTN: CHIEF)

FROM (600-55647)

CHICAGO

FROM BOSTON (600-55647)

CONFIDENTIAL

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), AT FORT MEADE, MARY-
LAND, MAY 17, 1975; ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ON MAY 15, 1975, A SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMA-
TION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT THE CAPTIONED DEMONSTRATION WOULD
BE HELD AT FORT MEADE ON MAY 17, 1975, ARMOED FORCES DAY. IT WAS
ANTICIPATED THAT ABOUT 50 SUPPORTERS WOULD COME FROM THE SURROUND-
ING STATES. FOUR PERSONS FROM THE VVAW/WSO NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
IN CHICAGO WOULD BE PRESENT. FIVE PERSONS SCHEDULED TO SPEAK AT
RALLY TO BE HELD 12:00 NOON, 1628 ANNAPOLIS ROAD, ACROSS FROM
ENTRANCE TO FORT MEADE. FLYER ANNOUNCING DEMONSTRATION CALLED FOR
END OF HARASSMENT OF MILITARY PERSONNEL AND REFUSAL TO FIGHT
IMPERIALIST WARS.

END PAGE ONE

Assoc. Dir.	
Dep. Asst. Dir.	
Dep. Asst. Dir.	
Asst. Dir.	
Admin.	
Ext. Affairs	
Files & Com.	
Gen. Inv.	
Ident.	
Inspec.	
Intell.	
Lab.	
Legal Coun.	
Plan. & Eval.	
Spec. Inv.	
Training	
Off. of Cong. & Public Affairs	
Director's Sec'y	

Handwritten signature

PAGE TWO BA ~~1000000000~~

THE VVAW, FORMED IN 1967, BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST
UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA (CHANGED
NAME TO VVAW/WSO IN 1973 TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS AS MEMBERS),
HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME
RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO LEADERS VOTED IN DECEMBER
1974 TO ALIGN VVAW/WSO WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) WHICH
ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS A STRICT MAOIST LINE DESIGNATED TO BRING
ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

NO CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE ANTICIPATED.


US SECRET SERVICE AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND AND THE MILITARY
AUTHORITIES AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND COGNIZANT.

¹⁷²⁰
~~CLASSIFIED BY 0000, X000 2, INDEFINITE.~~

ADMINISTRATIVE:

REFERENCE WFO NITEL MAY 15, 1975.

~~SECRET~~  b2
b7D

b7C  ~~NO SECRET SERVICE, BALTIMORE AND 902ND MILITARY
GROUP, FORT MEADE NOTIFIED.~~

~~BALTIMORE, BALTIMORE.~~

END

MESSAGE RELAY

Transmit in ☐ Plaintext ☒ Code Via Teletype the Attached ☐ Immediate ☒ Urgent ☐ Nital Message

Date 5/16/75

To: Director, FBI

SACs:

To: Legats:

7/1/95
DECLASSIFIED BY: 8066 PUS
DECLASSIFY ON:

RUEADWW/ ☐ The President ☐ The Vice President ☐ White House Situation Room
☐ Attn: ☐ Attn:

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General ☐ Deputy Attorney General
☐ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

☐ Attn: Internal Security Section ☐ Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEOIAA/ ☒ National Security Agency
(DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOO))

RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's Service

RUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)

RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative Service

RUEACSI/ ☒ Department of the Army

RUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
(Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified)

RUEAIIA/ ☐ Director, CIA

RUEHSE/ ☐ U. S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard

RUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of State

RUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of Transportation

RHEGGTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development
Administration

Attn: Director of Security

RUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration

REC-14

100-448072-4264
14 MAY 19 1975

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAY 16 1975

220 PM
TELETYPE

Foreign Liaison Unit

☐ Route through for review
☐ Cleared telephonically
with _____

Classification: ☐ Top Secret ☐ Secret ☒ Confidential ☐ Unclassified

Subject (Text begins next page):

DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND,
MAY 17, 1975
57 JUN 11 1975
TELETYPE UNIT ☒

CWT WNP AM CWT KE

المجلس

THE VVAW, FORMED IN 1967, BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA (CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/MSO IN 1973 TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS AS MEMBERS), HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/MSO LEADERS VOTED IN DECEMBER 1974 TO ALIGN VVAW/MSO WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) WHICH ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS A STRICT MARXIST LINE DESIGNATED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

NO CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE ANTICIPATED.

US SECRET SERVICE AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND AND THE MILITARY AUTHORITIES AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND COGNIZANT.

CLASSIFIED BY ⁷²²⁵ ~~TOP SECRET~~, CODE S, INDEFINITE.

NOTE:

[REDACTED] (S)

b1

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 5/21/75

FROM : SAC, BUFFALO (100-23300) (C)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] aka

SH - VVAW/WSO
(OO: BUFFALO)

Re Los Angeles FD-306 dated 12/26/74.

A preliminary inquiry has been instituted concerning the subject for the purpose of determining if he is a leader or activist of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), activity of which could involve a violation of Title 18, USC, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), Section 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), Section 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the U.S. Government), Section 2387 (Sedition) and Section 793 (Espionage).

For the information of the Bureau, this investigation was instituted as a result of information being furnished by the Los Angeles Division, which indicated that the subject was on the Chapter list for the VVAW/WSO during December, 1974. This list indicated that the subject was an "organizing contact" at the State University College at Fredonia, Fredonia, New York. The Los Angeles Division further advised that organizing contacts are believed to be individuals associated with the New York - Northern New Jersey region of the VVAW/WSO in areas where there are not enough members to form a chapter.

A knowledgeable source at the State University College at Fredonia, Fredonia, New York advised on 3/25/75, that there are presently no VVAW/WSO Chapters on the Fredonia, N.Y. campus. Source advised that he is acquainted with the subject and is aware of the fact that he is a member of the VVAW/WSO. He identified the subject as an above average student who has been active in numerous student activities since coming to Fredonia. Source advised that during the 1973-1974 school year, he was [REDACTED] and seems to be well respected by the student body.

- 1dest
6 - Bureau (RM)
2 - Buffalo

(1-100-21623)

7
(4)

REC-52

SL 114

MAY 27 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

BU 100-23300

Source identified the subject as a resident of [redacted] Buffalo, New York, with a college address of [redacted] New York. He advised that he is a [redacted] and whose SSAN is [redacted].

Source further advised that the subject graduated from [redacted] High School, Buffalo, New York in June, 1972 and is presently a junior at his institution. D7C

Birth records for the City of Buffalo, Department of Vital Statistics disclosed on 4/28/75, that [redacted] was born [redacted] New York. His father is listed as [redacted] N.Y. whose occupation is listed as a crane operator, and his mother is [redacted] [redacted] also born in [redacted] N.Y.

The files of the Identification Division of the Buffalo, New York Police Department, the Fredonia, New York Police Department, the Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office, Mayville, New York and the Erie County Sheriff's Office, Buffalo, New York, have been checked, but show no record identifiable with the subject.


During the month of April, 1975, confidential informants of the Buffalo Division, who are knowledgeable about phases of subversive activity in the Buffalo, New York area, were contacted and advised they had no information to furnish concerning the subject.

In view of the fact that the subject does not fit the criteria for a continuing investigation of a VVAW/WSO individual, this case is being closed.

BU 100-23300

NON SYMBOL SOURCE ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

The knowledgeable source referred to in instant
letter is:


State University College of
New York at Fredonia, New York
(Protected per request)

b7C
b7D

Federal Bureau of Investigation
Records SectionJune 15, 1975☐ Name Searching Unit - Room 6527☒ ~~Name Searching Unit - Room 6527~~☐ Forward to File☐ Attention☐ Return to

Room Ext.

Type of References Requested:

☐ Regular Request (Analytical Search)☒ All References (Subversive & Nonsubversive)☐ Subversive References Only☐ Nonsubversive References Only☐ Main _____ References Only

Type of Search Requested:

☐ Restricted to Locality of _____☐ Exact Name Only (On the Nose)☐ Building _____ Variations

Subject

Birthdate _____ Place _____

Address _____

Localities Buffalo Area

Re

Date 6-5

Searcher

Initials 6130

Prod.

FILE NUMBER

SERIAL

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

2/5/91

1 - Mr. [REDACTED] b7C

Airtel

To: SACs, Albany (100-22519)

5/21/75

Baltimore (100-27909)

Boston (100-42739)

Buffalo (100-21623)

Butte (100-9147)

Charlotte (100-11256)

Chicago (100-50772)

Cincinnati (100-19743)

Cleveland (100-31431)

Denver (100-10467)

Jacksonville (100-1745)

Kansas City (100-15886)

Los Angeles (100-77703)

Miami (100-16340)

Milwaukee (100-15674)

Newark (100-53565)

New York (100-16064)

Philadelphia (100-52640)

Portland (100-12313)

St. Louis (100-21603)

San Francisco (100-71012)

Seattle (100-31285)

Tampa (100-2514)

WFO (100-47162)

From: Director, FBI (100-448092)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE)
IS

Captioned VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) will likely be highly significant in determining the future course, or even the continued existence, of the VVAW/WSO in terms of its relationship with the Revolutionary Union (RU).

It is most imperative that we have coverage of this NSCM in general and all of the major workshops. Informants should be particularly alert to contemplated continuation of discussion, debate, and voting on affiliation of VVAW/WSO with RU.

Chicago, attempt to verify location and determine exact dates for captioned NSCM and advise FBIHQ and all recipients.

Following receipt of above verification and dates, this NSCM, all offices with informants in a position to attend this NSCM should request FBIHQ approval for their travel to NSCM site and coordinate pertinent details with office coverage.

CNL:meg (50) meg

NOTE:

As you are aware, the VVAW/WSO has been penetrated by the RU, and VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the NSCM to align with RU. There exist within VVAW/WSO, however, anti-RU forces who are preparing for a showdown on the part of the VVAW/WSO at the next NSCM tentatively slated for July, 1975, in Ohio. Recipients of this message are believed to have sources who could logically attend this NSCM and are being advised of necessity for effective coverage of this meeting.

MAIL ROOM ☒ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

GPO

MESSAGE RELAY

 Transmit in ☐ Plaintext
☒ Code

Via Teletype the Attached

☐ Immediate
☐ Urgent
☒ Nitel

Date

5/18/75

Message

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: Legats:

 ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
 DATE 7/15/95 BY SP6BJS
To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President☐ The Vice President☐ White House Situation Room☐ Attn:☐ Attn:RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General☒ Deputy Attorney General☐ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation UnitRUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights DivisionRUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division☐ Attn: Internal Security Section☐ Attn: General Crimes SectionRUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement AdministrationRUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization ServiceRUEOIAA/ ☐ National Security Agency

(DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOO))

RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's ServiceRUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative ServiceRUEACSI/ ☐ Department of the ArmyRUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
(Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified)RUEAIIA/ ☐ Director, CIARUEHSE/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)RUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast GuardRUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of StateRUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence AgencyRUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of Transportation
Attn: Director of SecurityRHEGCTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development
AdministrationRUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration
☐
☐
☐

 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Assoc. Dir.

Dep. AD Adm.

Dep. AD Inv.

Asst. Dir.:

Admin.

Comp. Syst.

Ext. Affairs

Files & Com.

Gen. Inv.

Ident.

Inspection

Intell.

Laboratory

Legal Coun.

Plan. & Eval.

Spec. Inv.

Training

Telephone Rm.

Director's Sec'y

MAY 18 1975

TELETYPE

Classification:

☐ Top Secret☐ Secret☐ Confidential☒ Unclassified

Subject (Text begins next page):

 march and rally to protest U.S. Imperialism sponsored by UAW/USO, San Diego,
 Cal. Forum, May 17, 1975.

 MAY 18 1975
 JUN 03 1975
TELETYPE UNIT ☒

WRU

Foreign Liaison Unit

☐ Route through for review☐ Cleared telephonically

with

MAY 20 1975

By UAW/USO, San Diego

~~NR 01 SD CODED~~

~~12:40 AM NITEL MAY 18, 1975 MJZ~~

~~TO: DIRECTOR~~

~~FROM: SAN DIEGO (100-16820) (C) 4P~~

~~ATTN: INTD~~

MARCH AND RALLY TO PROTEST U. S. IMPERIALISM SPONSORED BY
VVAW/WSO, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, MAY 17, 1975, ~~IS VIETNAM~~
VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), ~~IS~~.

ON MAY 17, 1975, AT APPROXIMATELY 12:00 NOON, A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FBI OBSERVED ABOUT 50 INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, ASSEMBLE AT NEWTON PARK, DOWNTOWN SAN DIEGO. THEY THEN MARCHED TO BALBOA PARK, SAN DIEGO, CARRYING SIGNS AND CHANTING SLOGANS PROTESTING U. S. IMPERIALISM; CAPITALISM; U. S. INVOLVEMENT IN INDO-CHINA, AFRICA, AND THE MIDDLE EAST; AND TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR THE ABOLISHMENT OF THE UNIFORM CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE, UNCONDITIONAL DRAFT EVADER AND DESERTER AMNESTY, ONE TYPE OF MILITARY DISCHARGE, AND THE END OF FEMALE REPRESSION IN THE MILITARY. UPON ARRIVAL AT BALBOA PARK,
END PAGE ONE

PAGE TWO

~~SD 100-16820~~

SPEECHES WERE GIVEN ON THE SUBJECTS OF THE SAME NATURE BY VARIOUS INDIVIDUALS AND THE RALLY BROKE UP AT APPROXIMATELY 4:00 PM. THE MARCH AND RALLY WERE WITHOUT ARREST OR INCIDENT.

THE VVAW FORMED IN 1967 BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST U. S. INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA (CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/WSO IN 1973, TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS AS MEMBERS), HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. THE VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY THE MILITANT REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) ORGANIZATION, AND VVAW/WSO LEADERS HAVE TOLD MEMBERS THAT VVAW/WSO IS A REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION, NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS." THE CURRENT MARXIST-LENINIST-MAOIST ORIENTED NO, WHICH PROMOTES EDUCATION OF THE MEMBERSHIP IN MARXIST-LENINIST-MAOIST DOCTRINE AND DIRECTS THE ORGANIZATION INTO POLITICAL GROWTH ALONG THE SAME LINES, HAS AT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETINGS (NSCM), IN 1974, PORTRAYED VVAW/WSO AS A MASS ANTI-IMPERIALIST ORGANIZATION AND A VANGUARD OF THE REVOLUTION EVENTUALLY CREATED BY THE MASSES.

END PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE

~~CD 100-10820~~

VVAW/WSO LEADERS VOTED AT THE DECEMBER, 1974, NSCM TO ALIGN VVAW/WSO WITH THE RU, WHICH ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS A STRICT MAOIST LINE OESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

THE RU, FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968, IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA, IS A MILITANT SEMI-COVERT MARXIST-LENINIST REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION IDEOLOGICALLY ORIENTED TOWAROS THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE TEACHINGS OF CHAIRMAN MAO TSE-TUNG. ITS OBJECTIVES AS SET FORTH IN ITS THEORETICAL PUBLICATION, "THE RED PAPERS," AND IN ITS MONTHLY NEWSPAPER, "REVOLUTION," ARE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A UNITED FRONT AGAINST IMPERIALISM, THE FOSTERING OF REVOLUTIONARY WORKING CLASS UNITY AND LEADERSHIP IN STRUGGLE, AND THE FORMATION OF A COMMUNIST PARTY BASED ON MARXISM-LENINISM-MAO TSE-TUNG THOUGHT, LEADING TO THE OVERTHROW OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT BY FORCE AND VIOLENCE. MEMBERS OF THE RU HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS COLLECTING WEAPONS WHILE ENGAGING IN FIREARMS AND GUERRILLA WARFARE TRAINING. AS OF JULY, 1974, RU NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS WAS LOCATED IN MAYWOOD, ILLINOIS.

END PAGE THREE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D. Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D. Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	_____
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Lab.	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

NR 002 [REDACTED] CODE

530PM NITEL 5/23/75 CFR

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

DETROIT

FROM [REDACTED]

ATTN INTD

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO); IS.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON MAY 23, 1975, THAT [REDACTED]
TO MIDWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF VVAW/WSO TO BE HELD AT DETROIT,
MICHIGAN, MAY 31-JUNE 1, 1975, EXACT LOCATION OF CONFERENCE
UNKNOWN. IN VIEW OF RECENT DISAFFILIATION OF SEVERAL CHAPTERS OF
VVAW/WSO WITHIN THE REGION, IT IS NOT ANTICIPATED THAT ATTENDANCE
WILL BE LARGE, BUT SOURCE WAS TOLD THAT [REDACTED]
CHAPTERS WILL DEFINITELY BE THERE. [REDACTED] FEELS ATTENDANCE
OF [REDACTED] AT CONFERENCE HIGHLY DESIRABLE TO FURTHER EFFORTS
TO ATTAIN [REDACTED] ANTICIPATED

EXPENSES FOR SOURCE ARE \$50.00. BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED [REDACTED] MAY 30 1975
SEND SOURCE TO CONFERENCE. SOURCE USES CODE NAME [REDACTED]
DETROIT FURNISH NAME AND PHONE NUMBER OF AGENT TO BE CONTACTED BY
SOURCE IN EMERGENCY SITUATION. CLASSIFIED BY 2066, XGDS 2, INDEFINITE.

END

FBIHQ FLC CLR TKS

MAY 26 1975
TELETYPE

b7D

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6BJA/VIS
1/5/95

b2
b7D

4268

b2

b7C

CODE

TELETYPE

NITEL

TO: SACS

DETROIT (100-30271)

5/29/75

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

CONFIDENTIAL

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER
SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
IS

RE: NITEL 5/28/75.

AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR [REDACTED] TO ATTEND VVAW/WSO MIDWEST
REGIONAL CONFERENCE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN, 5/31 - 6/1/75, AT AN
ESTIMATED EXPENSE OF \$50. [REDACTED] INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING
OF EXPENSES INCURRED AND COORDINATE WITH DETROIT MEANS BY WHICH
SOURCE CAN CONTACT DETROIT HANDLING AGENT, IF NECESSARY, CON-
SISTENT WITH INFORMANT SECURITY.

UPON SOURCE'S RETURN TO [REDACTED] OFFICE TERRITORY, [REDACTED]
SHOULD BE PROMPTLY DEBRIEFED AND RESULTS FURNISHED TO FBIHQ,
CHICAGO AND OTHER INTERESTED OFFICES IN FORM SUITABLE FOR
DISSEMINATION.

AIRMAIL COPY SENT CHICAGO.

CLASSIFIED BY 7225, XGES 2, INDEFINITE.

CHICAGO (AIRMAIL)

CNL:bmt
(8)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

MAY 29 1975

TELETYPE

MAIL ROOM

TELETYPE UNIT

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

GPO 514-514

PAGE TWO 100-448092 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NOTE:

The VVAW/WSO Midwest Regional Conference in Detroit, Michigan, 5/31 - 6/1/75, will further define extent of unrest within above region and VVAW/WSO nationally over extensive infiltration of VVAW/WSO - by the Revolutionary Union (RU), a Marxist-Leninist-Maoist basic revolutionary organization, and informant coverage is desirable. Source is currently continued

[REDACTED] Source's [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] will [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] at above conference. Source has cooperated with this Bureau since [REDACTED] for monthly payments of [REDACTED] for expenses. Anticipated expenses of \$50 are for source's [REDACTED] cost of travel to Detroit by [REDACTED] and meals. In view of above, authority for travel and payment of expenses is being granted. Also, it appears no other sources in position to attend conference. Nitel being utilized in view of imminent departure of source. Details of expected outlay for travel expenses obtained telephonically from [REDACTED] Office.

1
b2
b7D

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE DENVER	OFFICE OF ORIGIN CHICAGO	DATE 5/27/75	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/23/74 - 5/19/79
-----------------------------------	------------------------------------	------------------------	---

TITLE OF CASE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION	CONFIDENTIAL	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY cig
		CHARACTER OF CASE IS - VVAW/WSO	b7C

REFERENCE:

DATE 8/5/81 **BY** sagarmham
 Denver report of S [REDACTED] 11/5/74.

- P -

CLASS. & EXT. BY sagarmham
 REASON-FCIM II, 1-2.4.2 2
 DATE OF REVIEW 3/27/85
 Comp # 218,772

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT
 WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE.

INFO PERTAINING TO HAYDEN AND
 FONDA CONTAINED ON P. 10, PAR. 2 IS
 NOT CLASSIFIABLE. DDF/6/28/76.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED						<input type="checkbox"/> NONE	ACQUIT- TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES			
								PENDING OVER ONE YEAR <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO

APPROVED <u>M. [Signature]</u> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW
COPIES MADE: 5 - Bureau (100-448092) (RM) 1 - 525th MI Group, Denver (RM) 1 - DIS, Denver (RM) 1 - NISRA, St. Louis, Missouri (RM) 1 - OSI, Denver (RM) 1 - Albuquerque (RM)(Info.) 2 - Chicago (100-50772) (RM) 1 - Salt Lake City (RM) (Info.) 5 - Denver (100-10467)(1-100-11748	100-448092-4269 JUN 2 1975 DN Chapter (1-100-11738, Boulder) (1-100-11728, Colo. Sp)

Dissemination Record of Attached Report	
Agency	100-4440 Gen
Request Recd.	100-4440
Date Fwd.	100-4440
How Fwd.	100-4440 6/4/75
By	CAL/meg

ALL APPROPRIATE OFFICES AND AGENCIES ADVISED OF 3/28/81
 DECLASSIFICATION VIA R/S 7/7/76, A.D. mgt

57 NOV 14 1975

COVER PAGE
CONFIDENTIAL

DN 100-10467

LEADS:

DENVER DIVISION:

AT DENVER, COLORADO:

- 1) Will follow activities of the Region to determine violations of pertinent Federal statutes which might occur. \
- 2) Will determine the size and scope of this organization. \
- 3) Will, through sources, determine identity of the following individuals who attended the Rocky Mountain Regional Convention at Boulder, Colorado, on 11/23 and 24/75, and determine if these individuals might be in violation of pertinent Federal statutes: \

At Denver, Colorado:

[REDACTED] Denver, Colo.
[REDACTED] Colo.
[REDACTED] Colo.

At Boulder, Colorado:

[REDACTED] Boulder Colo.
[REDACTED] Boulder Colo.

b7C

COVER PAGE B

DN 100-10467

At Colorado Springs, Colorado:

b7C [REDACTED] (Student)
Colorado College

SOURCES:

b2
b7D
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] (former)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(of unknown reliability
due to lack of sufficient
amount of information to
evaluate)

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

COVER PAGE C

DN 100-10467

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ADMINISTRATIVE:

b2
b7D
This report is classified ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ in order to protect sources [REDACTED] through [REDACTED] the unauthorized disclosure of whose identities would adversely effect the national security.

b7C
By communication dated 2/21/75, [REDACTED] (DNFILE 100-11685) (BUFILE 100-479199) was removed from ADEX. This case was subsequently closed 4/4/75. Leading activists and other principals of the organization have been or are being investigated and appropriate recommendations concerning them either have been or are being made. u

SA who advised that the Regional Office and the Denver Chapter share an office jointly at 1764 Gilpin Street, and holds meetings at Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church, 1280 Vine Street, is Special Agent [REDACTED] who obtained this information by means of a suitable pretext. u

Special Agent who observed a protest march at Denver's Federal Courthouse Square 5/15/75, was SA [REDACTED] u

DECLASSIFIED
7/2/76 (4417)

G11
12-5-75
upheld.

COVER PAGE D

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DN 100-10467

NON-SYMBOL SOURCE ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED] Intelligence Division,
Chicago Police Department. *u*

b2
b7D
b7C

COVER PAGE E*

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - 525th MI Group, Denver, Colorado
1 - DIS, Denver, Colorado
1 - NISRA, St. Louis, Missouri
1 - OSI, Denver, Colorado

**NOT A FOIA
DELETION**

Report of: [REDACTED]
Date: May 27, 1975

b7C

Office: DENVER

Field Office File #: 100-10467

Bureau File #: 100-448092

Title: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - VIETNAM VETERANS
AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

Synopsis:

Headquarters for VVAW/WSO groups in region is now 2530 West 37th Street, #2, formerly 1942 West 33rd, Denver, Colorado. No separate location located for Denver Chapter, however, Regional Office and Denver Chapter maintain office jointly at 1764 Gilpin Street, Denver, with meetings at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 1280 Vine Street, on Sunday evenings. Antonito, Boulder, Colorado Springs and Fort Collins Chapters inactive. No chapters in the State of Wyoming. Goals discussed at Regional Convention for Rocky Mountain Region held at Boulder, Colorado, 11/23-24/75, set forth. Regional and state coordinators elected at Regional Convention.

DECLASSIFIED BY [REDACTED]
ON [REDACTED]

**Not A FOIA
Deletion**

7/5/95 [REDACTED]
**ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 8/4/81 BY SP4 [REDACTED]**

Sources whose identities are concealed herein have furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

DN 100-10467

[REDACTED] is now Regional Coordinator. [REDACTED] is [REDACTED] Colorado. [REDACTED] former Regional Coordinator, appears inactive. [REDACTED] Regional staff appears to exist and organization appears identical for Regional Office and Denver Chapter with eight members. Boulder Chapter claims four members. Colorado Springs, Antonito and Fort Collins Chapters consist of one representative. One contact in Wyoming. Financial ability unknown. No Regional newspaper "Hoa Binh" printings known since April, 1974. Six handouts or papers made available by Rocky Mountain Region. Three members from Rocky Mountain Region attended National CI Conference in Chicago October and November, 1974. Regional Convention of Rocky Mountain Region held 11/23-24/75 at Boulder, Colorado. Seven members from Rocky Mountain Region attended National Steering Committee meeting, 12/28/74, at St. Louis, Missouri. [REDACTED] arrested 11/30/74, at Wheatridge, Colorado, with members of United Farm Workers boycotting sale of certain wine products. Arrest was for disobeying a restraining order and investigation of first degree assault, no disposition. [REDACTED]

b7c

-P- [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

DN 100-10467

<u>TABLE OF CONTENTS</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
I. LOCATION	4
II. GOALS.....	8
III. LEADERSHIP - REGIONAL OFFICE AND STATE OFFICES.....	11
IV. MEMBERSHIP.....	14
V. FINANCES.....	18
VI. PUBLICATIONS.....	20
VII. ACTIVITIES.....	22
VIII. RELATIONS WITH OTHER GROUPS.....	29
IX. PUBLIC APPEARANCES.....	31

DN 100-10467

DETAILS:

I. LOCATION

DN 100-10467

For characterization of Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), see appendix. u

Regional Office:

The Regional Office for Colorado/New Mexico/ Utah/ Wyoming moved from the home of [REDACTED] former Regional Coordinator [REDACTED] Street, Denver, Colorado, to the home of [REDACTED] Regional Coordinator, [REDACTED] Number 2, Denver, Colorado, 80211 (303) 377- [REDACTED] b7C b7D

[REDACTED]
April, 1975 b2 b7D

Denver Chapter:

The Denver Chapter maintains an address at Post Office Box 18591, Denver, Colorado, 80218. u

[REDACTED]
April, 1975 b2 b7D

This address was formerly the address utilized for the Regional Office and telephone number (303) 477-0587, was also utilized for the regional office. u

[REDACTED]
December, 1974

The phone number (303) 477- [REDACTED] formerly utilized by the Regional Office, lists to the private residence of [REDACTED] Regional Coordinator, and [REDACTED] b7C b7D

[REDACTED]
12/6/74 b2 b7D

The Regional Office maintains an office, jointly, with the Denver Chapter at 1764 Gilpin Street and holds meetings at Saint Barnabas Episcopal Church, 1280 Vine Street, on Sunday evenings. u

Special Agent
FBI
4/4/75

DN 100-10467

Antonito Chapter:

The Antonito Chapter maintains an address at c/o
Box [REDACTED] Antonito, Colorado, 81120. \

[REDACTED] b7c
April, 1975 b2 b7D

[REDACTED] formerly resided at Alamosa,
Colorado, and was the VVAW/WSO representative in the
area. \

[REDACTED] b2
12/6/74 b7D

Boulder Chapter:

Chapter meetings continue to be scheduled for
12:00 noon, Wednesdays, in Room 177, University Memorial
Center, University of Colorado (CU), Boulder, Colorado,
80302. The chapter maintains a phone number of (303-443-
2211, Extension 8877. \

[REDACTED] b2
12/4/74 b7D

There have been no recent meetings of the Boulder
Chapter, however, this chapter is an authorized organization
on the CU Campus. \

[REDACTED] b7c
CU Campus Police
Department
11/6/74

Colorado Springs Chapter:

The Colorado Springs Chapter lists an address of
Post Office Box 6133, Colorado Springs, Colorado, 80904. \

[REDACTED] b2
April, 1975 b7D

DN 100-10467

b7C [REDACTED] is the only representative in
the Colorado Springs area. He currently resides at [REDACTED]
Green Mountain Falls, Colo. ✓

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[REDACTED]
12/6/74

b2
b7D

Fort Collins Chapter:

b7C [REDACTED] Fort Collins,
Colorado, 921 (303) 493- [REDACTED] is only WAAW/WS representative
in the Fort Collins area. No chapter exists in this area. ✓

[REDACTED]
12/6/74

b2
b7D

Wyoming Contact:

b7C [REDACTED] There are no chapters in the State of Wyoming, however,
[REDACTED] FM Radio Station [REDACTED] Wyoming, 82070,
(307) 745- [REDACTED] is a contact. ✓

[REDACTED]
April, 1975

b2
b7D

DN 100-10467

II. GOALS

DN 100-10467

At the Regional Convention for the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO held on November 23-24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, the following goals were set forth: u

[REDACTED] b2
12/17/74 b7D

Regional Office:

None were discussed. u

Denver Chapter:

b7C [REDACTED] was the spokesman for the Denver Chapter. The Denver Chapter professed the following goals, tactics and strategy: u

1. To influence and bring to the left, various legitimate veterans organizations.
2. To start new GI work at Lowry Air Force Base.
3. To start GI work at the Veterans Administration Hospital.
4. To conduct counter-recruiting and demonstrations at ROTC on college campuses and military recruiting offices.
5. To influence and bring to the left, National Guard and Reserve Organizations and to attempt to organize and influence individual members of the National Guard and Reserves.
6. To plan and organize a demonstration to be held on January 27, 1975, to inform the public that the Peace Accord which was signed with North Vietnam two years ago is not being lived up to.

Boulder Chapter:

The Boulder Chapter presented no goals, tactics or strategy. Boulder delegates state that due to a loss of membership since the end of the war and empathy among students to the GI and Veterans cause, the Boulder Chapter felt that they could not concentrate on any GI or Veterans based tactic or strategy. u

Albuquerque Chapter:

The Albuquerque Chapter advised that it would continue the distribution of the GI News at Kirkland Air Force Base Albuquerque, New Mexico, and would continue organizing efforts at the University of New Mexico. The Albuquerque Chapter also mentioned that JANE FONDA, TOM HADDEN and JIM HARRIS were speakers for the Indo China Peace Campaign and that the Indo China Peace Campaign could be contacted through telephone number AC-213-392-3942. The speaking fees are set at \$500.00 for HADDEN and HARRIS and \$1,000.00 for FONDA. u

Salt Lake City Chapter:

The Salt Lake City Chapter discussed organizing and influencing National Guard in Utah and continuing activities at Hill Air Force Base. Salt Lake City also mentioned interest in supporting issues other than those that are GI or Veterans oriented such as sugar boycotts and support of United Farm Workers, a labor organization. u

DN 100-10467

III. LEADERSHIP -
REGIONAL OFFICE and
STATE OFFICES

At the Regional Convention of the Rocky Mountain Region of VVAW/WSO held on November 23 - 24, 1974, [REDACTED] b7C b7D
Boulder, Colorado, the University of Colorado, [REDACTED]
was unanimously elected as Regional Coordinator, [REDACTED]
was unanimously elected as State Coordinator, [REDACTED]
was elected as Coordinator for the State of New Mexico. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] b2 b7D
ER OF SUBORGANIZATION

12/17/74

b7C b7D [REDACTED] was nominated as State Coordinator for Colorado, but declined due to labor connections at his employment. u

[REDACTED] b2 b7D
12/17/74

[REDACTED] was nominated as State Coordinator of Colorado, but declined due to his association with the Rocky Mountain Military Project. u

[REDACTED] b2 b7D
12/17/74

b7C b7D [REDACTED] was nominated for Colorado Coordinator but declined stating he was not capable. u

[REDACTED] b2 b7D
12/17/74

[REDACTED] was Regional Coordinator [REDACTED] at the aforementioned elections and [REDACTED] acted as Secretary and Recorder. u

b7C b7D [REDACTED] is currently [REDACTED] the VVAW house on [REDACTED] still working for [REDACTED] is not involved in any [REDACTED] or organization VVAW activities and it is not known if he is involved in activities of the Denver Chapter of the VVAW. u

[REDACTED] b2 b7D
2/19/75

DN 100-10467

Denver Chapter:

[REDACTED] was spokesman for the Denver Chapter. \

[REDACTED]
12/17/74

b2

b7D

b7C
b7D

DN 100-10467

IV. MEMBERSHIP

DN 100-10467

Regional Office:

b7C
b7D [redacted] is the Regional Coordinator and resides at [redacted] Colorado, telephone number (303) 477-[redacted] another member. b2
b7D 12/9/74

[redacted] have obtained jobs in factories in Denver, Colorado. b2
b7D 2/13/75

b7C
b7D [redacted] Colorado State Coordinator. He resides at [redacted] with [redacted] also [redacted] b2
b7D 12/9/74.

Denver Chapter:

The following are members of the Denver Chapter: u

b7C
b7D [redacted] 477-[redacted]

[redacted] 477-[redacted]

[redacted] 320-[redacted]

[redacted] 320-[redacted]

[redacted] 320-[redacted] Denver Chap.

b7C

b7D

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

321-

733-

[REDACTED]
12/6/74

b2
b7D

A discharge up-grade group is headed up by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Gilpin, Denver. The group has attracted many
of the old time fire brands of the VVAW.

[REDACTED]
11/15/74

Boulder Chapter:

The following are members of the Boulder Chapter:

b7C

442-

443-

443-

443-

Boulder Colo.
Boulder Colo.
Boulder Colo.

[REDACTED]
12/6/74

b2
b7D

b7C [REDACTED] has not recently been on the University of Colorado (CU) Campus or participated in any demonstrations in the Boulder area. U

[REDACTED] b7C
CO Police Department
11/6/74

At the Regional Convention of the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, the Boulder Chapter presented no goals, tactics or strategy. Boulder delegates stated that due to a loss of membership as a result of the end of the war and ampathy among students to the GI and Veterans Cause, their chapter could not concentrate on any GI or Veterans based tactic or strategy. U

[REDACTED] b2
12/17/74 b7D

Colorado Springs Chapter:

b7C b7D [REDACTED] Box [REDACTED] Green Mountain Falls, 684 [REDACTED] is the only member in Colorado Springs. U

[REDACTED] b2 b7D
12/6/74

b7C b7D [REDACTED] a white female who is a student at Colorado College, Colorado Springs, Colorado, has written to [REDACTED] and expressed a desire to become involved in working for amnesty and against the war in general. [REDACTED] advised during the summer of 1975, she would be residing at Route 1, Box [REDACTED] Franktown, Colorado. U

b7C b7D [REDACTED] was contacted and is interested in establishing some kind of peace coalition at Colorado State College, [REDACTED] b2 b7D
3/19/75.

DN 100-10467

V. FINANCES

DN 100-10467

A regional convention for the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO was held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. No mention was made of finances. ✓


12/17/74

b2
b7D

DN 100-10467

VI. PUBLICATIONS

DN 100-10467

During the period November 1 - November 20, 1974, four handouts entitled, "VVAW/WSO Women;" "VVAW-WSO GI Resistance," "Conditional Amnesty Program" and "The Amnesty Movement", were put forth by the Regional Office. No issues of the regional newspaper "Hoa Bihn" have been published.

[REDACTED]
11/1-20/74

b7c
b7D

A paper entitled, "The Venice Critique of the Political Statement of the National Collective on the Future of VVAW/WSO" was obtained from VVAW Regional Coordinator, [REDACTED] at Denver. ✓

[REDACTED]
11/20/74

A paper entitled, "The Denver Critique of the Political Statement of the National Collective on the future of VVAW/WSO" was put out by the Regional Office of VVAW at Denver. ✓

[REDACTED]
11/20/74

b2
b7D

DN 100-10467

VII. ACTIVITIES

Regional Office and Chapters:

On October 23, 1974, and November 1, 1974, respectively, a National GI Conference sponsored by the VVAW/WSO was held at the YMCA, 826 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, during the period October 11 - 14, 1974. U

[REDACTED]
10/23/74

[REDACTED]
10/23/74

b2

b7D

b7D
b7C

In attendance were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO, Denver. Several groups, organizations and individuals participated in this conference. U

A proposed agenda for a regional meeting on November 23 and 24, 1974, at Boulder, Colorado, set forth the aims and goals of this meeting as follows:

1. To raise, analyze and discuss the focus of VVAW/WSO.
2. To underline the importance of structure and the development of leadership to the Organization.
3. To report on and dispose of organizational business.
4. To present information and background on different struggles occurring on the National, International and Regional levels.
5. To discuss content areas and a regional strategy.
6. To allow chapters and states to develop local tactics around a regional strategy based on their knowledge of local conditions and resources.
7. To build the spirit of the organization.

A map was provided on the announcement for this convention showing that it would be held at the University of Colorado Memorial Center at Boulder. Those to attend were to contact [REDACTED] 11/11/74 [REDACTED] The [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Denver Chapter. U

b7D
b7C

11/20/74

b2
b7D

The Regional Convention at the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO was held on November 23 - 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado. During this convention, the following transpired: U

A discussion as to which position the Rocky Mountain Region would support: The National Office Position Paper, the Venus Position Paper or the Denver Position Paper, concerning the role of the VVAW. U

The convention issued a vote of confidence for the National Office Division Paper at the National Steering Committee Meeting in St. Louis. Members of the Boulder Chapter were the only individuals who were opposed to the National Office Position. Debate on this issue took all of the first day. U

A debate ensued on the second day on matters that had been brought up during the last National Steering Committee meeting in Buffalo, New York, in August of 1974, and which would be voted on at the National Steering Committee meeting in St. Louis. U

The first issue was that of those individuals running for National Office, National Collective. This discussion was merely informational and it was left to the discretion of delegates who would attend the National Steering Committee in St. Louis as to how they would vote on these openings. U

The remainder of the issues were tabled until further information from the National Office was received.

State and Regional officers were elected. U

DN 100-10467

Goals, strategy and tactics were discussed, however, part of the convention concerning the discussion was merely a brainstorm type of session and none of the issues were actually voted on. U

At the closing of the meeting, a letter from the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression (see appendix) was read to convention members. This letter was in response to an article condemning the Communist Party U.S.A. (see appendix) and the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression for gaining publicity at the expense of other people. Members displayed overwhelming disapproval of this letter. U

[REDACTED]
12/17/74

b2
b7D

A party was held for those in attendance at the Regional Convention for the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO in Boulder on November 21 - 24, 1974. The party was held at the apartment of [REDACTED] and most of the individuals who attended the convention also attended the party at which beer, rum and marijuana were served. U

[REDACTED]
12/17/74

b7C
b6
b2
b7D

The National Steering Committee Meeting for VVAW/WSO convened on December 28, 1974, at 9:30 a.m. in a church located at 1319 Boland Place, St. Louis, Missouri. U

The Rocky Mountain Region did not have a round robin report prepared and made no presentation. U

[REDACTED] (last name unknown) attended the National Steering Committee Meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, during December 28 - 31, 1974. U

b7C
b7D

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

[REDACTED]
3/19/75

b2
b7D

DN 100-10467

Denver and other Chapters:

On November 30, 1974, a demonstration took place in front of the Applejack Liquor Store at 3320 Youngfield, Wheatridge, Colorado. The leaders of this demonstration were members of the United Farm Workers, protesting the sale of Gallo Wine products. Thirty-two pickets were present. A restraining order and injunction was served on the United Farm Workers by Jefferson County (Colorado) District Court on November 29, 1974, not to allow more than two pickets at a time on the premises of this liquor store. Following an attempt by two county officers to read the injunction and restraining order to the pickets, two disruptions occurred and 17 pickets were arrested. Among these was [REDACTED] date of birth [REDACTED] who was booked for disobeying a court order and an investigation of first degree assault. b7C

Lt. [REDACTED] b7C
Wheatridge Police Department
12/4/74

b7C
b7D [REDACTED] State Coordinator for VVAW, stated that [REDACTED] had been arrested in the Applejack Liquor Store, 3320 Youngfield for second degree assault on a police officer for resisting arrest. [REDACTED] allegedly attempted to grab the officers' guns while picketing the store in support of the United Farm Workers regarding the sale of Gallo Wines. [REDACTED] was bailed out of jail by the United Farm Workers.

The Denver Chapter unanimously voted to have its entire membership demonstrate at this liquor store in support of the United Farm Workers on Saturday, December 21, 1974. A clash is expected between the Teamsters and the United Farm Workers and there is also a possibility of a confrontation with local law enforcement officials.

[REDACTED] b2
12/24/74 b7D

The VVAW, Clergy and Laymen Concerned (CALC) and the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) will stage a candlelight march and rally in connection with the second anniversary of the Vietnam Peace Agreement at the State Capitol Building, Denver, on January 27, 1975, at 8:00 p.m.

[REDACTED]
1/25/75

b2
b7D

CALC is headquartered in New York City and is a publicly acclaimed group of clergy and laymen concerned about the war in Vietnam. In the past it has been active in anti-war activities. U

The AFSC is an organization of the Quaker Church with regional and local offices throughout the United States. Its chief activities include civil rights, draft counseling and anti-war activities. U

A VVAW/WSO demonstration was to take place at the Veterans Administration Hospital, 1055 Clermont, Denver, Colorado, from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m., March 28, 1975, in connection with Vietnam Veterans Day. The demonstration would consist of picketing and/or leafleting and Regional Coordinator [REDACTED] was giving it very little support. U

b7C
b7D

[REDACTED]
3/27/75

b2
b7D

Due to the weather, the demonstration was put off until March 29, 1975. U

[REDACTED]
Security Chief
VA Hospital
3/28/75

b7C

Twelve individuals showed up and were passing out literature, including a page from the "Winter Soldier," national newspaper of the VVAW. Two of the protesters were allowed inside the lobby where they stayed about 15 minutes and returned to their group outside. Shortly thereafter, the group dispersed. U

[REDACTED]
Security Chief
VA Hospital
3/31/75

b7C

On May 15, 1975, a protest march was held in the square of the Federal Courthouse, 19th and Stout Streets, Denver, sponsored by the National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC) (see appendix). About 53 persons were in attendance including former fugitive CAMERON DAVID BISHOP, who spoke on his own behalf, urging support for himself and for an end to U. S. aggression in Cambodia. Also present were members of the October League (see appendix) and the National Lawyers Guild (see appendix). [redacted] of the VVAW was the only representative of that organization. b7c

Special Agent
FBI, 5/15/75

A demonstration urging support of the Palestine Liberation Organization (see appendix) was held at the Colorado State Capitol Building, Denver, on May 17, 1975. About 31 persons were in attendance, including those from the October League, National Lawyers Guild, Communist Party U.S.A. and the Colorado Workers' Unity Organization (CWUO).

The CWUO has described itself as an organization formed to defend the interests of working people in Colorado. They believe that only through united action can they protect themselves and their families from the growing attacks on their democratic rights and standard of living. In the past year, members of CWUO have worked in support of several local strikes and nationwide boycotts, including the Jeffco strike and the Farmworkers, Farah and Sloane boycotts. They have demonstrated in support of the democratic rights of the people of Chile and against the unjust deportations of foreign-born workers from this country.

A member of the CWUO stated that the VVAW in Denver had broken up and that he had formerly been a member but was now involved with the CWUO as were other former members.

[redacted] b2 b7D
5/19/75

(of unknown reliability)

DN 100-10467

VIII. RELATIONS WITH OTHER GROUPS

Regional Office and Chapters:

At the regional convention of the Rocky Mountain Region of the VVAW/WSO held on November 23, 24, 1974, at the University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado, a letter from the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression was read to convention members. VVAW had previously written an editorial in the "Winter Soldier" national VVAW newspaper in which it condemned the Communist Party and the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression, for gaining publicity at the expense of other people. The letter from the National Alliance Against Racism and Political Repression accused VVAW of being racists, anti-progressive, in the revolutionary movement and using reactionary tactics. U

Members attending the convention showed overwhelming disapproval of the letter from the National Alliance against Racism and Political Repression. FRANK CHAVES of the Denver Revolutionary Union (see appendix) was present. He urged that VVAW stay in its place, maintain a Veterans GI Base and stay in the background of the Revolutionary Union. He advocated a revolutionary Communist viewpoint.

12/17/74

b2
b7D

DN 100-10467

IX. PUBLIC APPEARANCES

DN 100-10467

Regional Office and Chapters:

There have been no public appearances noted.

U

APPENDIX

COMMUNIST PARTY, USA (CPUSA)

Title 50, USC, Section 791 (Internal Security Act of 1950) stated that, as a result of evidence adduced before various committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, Congress found the existence of a world communist revolutionary movement, whose purpose is to establish a communist totalitarian dictatorship in the world's countries through the medium of a world-wide communist organization. Communist action organizations in various countries endeavor to carry out the objectives of the world communist movement by bringing about the overthrow of existing governments by any means. The communist organization in the United States -- the CPUSA -- pursuing its stated objectives, presents "a clear and present danger to the security of the United States." The Subversive Activities Control Board, established by Section 791 of the above Act, found the CPUSA to be a communist action organization. This finding was upheld by the United States Supreme Court in June, 1961. The CPUSA has continued to be an arm of the international communist movement dominated by the Soviet Union. The CPUSA, in its dependence on the Soviet Union, has never knowingly adopted a position contrary to Soviet policy. Its leaders frequently confer with Soviet leaders to receive guidance and direction on the policies the CPUSA is to follow. There has been no evidence that the primary aims of the CPUSA, as they conform to Soviet objectives, have changed over the years.

APPENDIX

APPENDIX

NATIONAL ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST AND POLITICAL REPRESSION

The National Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression (NAARPR) is a front group of the Communist Party, USA, a subversive organization that serves as an arm of the international communist movement dominated by the Soviet Union. A source advised that it was formed under communist initiative at a founding conference in Chicago, Illinois, in May, 1973. It is targeted against the American penal system and has among its objectives the freeing of all "political prisoners." The NAARPR is headquartered in New York, New York, and has branches throughout the United States.

APPENDIX

APPENDIX

OCTOBER LEAGUE

The October League (OL) was founded in 1969 in Los Angeles, California, and in May, 1972, merged with the Georgia Communist League, a small Marxist-Leninist organization, having the same goals as the OL. The OL's published "Statement of Political Unity of the Georgia Communist League (M-L) and the October League (M-L)" dated May, 1972, states the union of the two organizations was effected to construct "a new communist party in the United States based on the guiding principles of the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought." This statement also continues "---the only way that Socialism can be established in the U.S. is through military insurrection, the smashing of the bourgeois state by the armed force of the masses and its replacement by a new proletarian state based on an army of the workers. This is a universal principal of Marxism-Leninism." ✓

The October League maintains its National Headquarters in Los Angeles and currently has chapters located in 13 cities in the United States. Various OL leaders have been known to visit the People's Republic of China. ✓

APPENDIX

PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION (PLO)

Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) was established in 1964 and acts as a coordinating body for most of the Palestinian fedayeen groups. The Palestine Liberation Army (PLA) is its military arm and the Palestine Liberation Forces (PLF) is its commando arm. u

APPENDIX

REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The Revolutionary Union (RU), founded in early 1968 in the San Francisco Bay area, is a militant semi-covert Marxist-Leninist revolutionary organization ideologically oriented towards the People's Republic of China and the teachings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung. Its objectives as set forth in its theoretical publication, "The Red Papers," and in its monthly newspaper, "Revolution," are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxist-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence. Members of the RU have been identified as collecting weapons while engaging in firearms and guerrilla warfare training. As of July, 1974, RU national headquarters was located in Maywood, Illinois.

APPENDIX

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant Revolutionary Union (RU) organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings (NSCM), in 1974, portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass anti-imperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses. \

VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the 12/74 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the U.S. \

APPENDIX

NR 013 CG CODE

544PM NITEL 5-32-75 TG

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

FROM CHICAGO (100-50772)

ATTN: INTD

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAY 30 1975

TELETYPE

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. AD-Adm.	_____
Dep. AD-Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	_____
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director's Sec'y	_____

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE): JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE) IS

RE FBIHQ AIRTEL MAY 21, 1975.

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON MAY 21, 1975, FOLLOWING INFORMATION
RECEIVED FROM [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO [REDACTED]:

VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM)
TO MEET JULY 3 - 5, 1975, MILWAUKEE, \$15 PER DELEGATE.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER 414-264-3832,
VVAW/WSO, 2532 NORTH HOLTON, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

[REDACTED] ADVISED MAY 21, 1975 [REDACTED] RECEIVED A CALL
FROM [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO [REDACTED] MEMBER, ASKING SOURCE
TO [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] WEEKEND.

61 JUN 1 1975

7/6/96

b7c

PAGE TWO

CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT, COVERT UNIT, ADVISED MAY 27, 1975, THAT VVAV/MSO, OHIO REGION, UNABLE TO HOST NSCM WHICH HAS APPARENTLY BEEN RESCHEDULED FOR THE JULY 4TH WEEKEND, HELD IN MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

[REDACTED] ADVISED MAY 29, 1975, NO DISCUSSION OF NSCM AT VVAV/MSO [REDACTED] MEETINGS. SOURCE DISCREETLY CONTACTED SEVERAL [REDACTED] ALL OF WHOM INDICATED UNAWARENESS OF ANY INFORMATION REGARDING FORTHCOMING NSCM. [REDACTED] FELT IF NSCM TO BE HELD THAT [REDACTED] WOULD DISCUSS IT AT THEIR NEXT MEETING, TO BE HELD JUNE 3, 1975.

CONTACT WITH OTHER VVAV/MSO SOURCES AND SOURCES FAMILIAR WITH REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) AND VVAV/MSO ACTIVITIES REFLECTS NO INFORMATION REGARDING NSCM.

INSTANT TELETYPE NOT BEING SENT OTHER OFFICES SINCE DATE AND PLACE OF NSCM NOT POSITIVELY DETERMINED. CHICAGO MAINTAINING CLOSE CONTACT WITH PERTINENT SOURCES AND UPON

b7D

b2
b7D

PAGE THREE

POSITIVE DETERMINATION OF DATE AND PLACE OF NSCM,
FBIHQ AND PERTINENT OFFICES WILL BE EXPEDITIOUSLY
ADVISED.

MILWAUKEE CONTACT SOURCES REGARDING NSCM, THAT
AREA.
END

NR 006 CI CODE

800PM NITEL 6/2/75 KDD

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

FROM CINCINNATI (100-19743) P

ATTN: INTD

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, MILWAUKEE,
WISCONSIN, JULY 3, 1975, IS.

CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL TO PROTECT [REDACTED]

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALBANY DATED MAY 21, 1975.

b2
b7D [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT AT A MIDWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/-
WSO) HELD IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN, MAY 31, TO JUNE 1, 1975, IT WAS
ANNOUNCED THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE
MEETING (NSCM) FOR VVAW/WSO WILL BE FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE DAYS COMMENCING

[REDACTED] 100-441-12-4271
AIR MAIL COPY OF THIS NITEL SENT TO ALL RECIPIENTS OF REFERENCED
BUREAU AIRTEL.

CLASSIFIED BY 2066, XGDS2, INDEFINITE.

END

MEB FBIHQ CLR AND TKS

12 JUN 5 1975

7-5-95

b7C

NR025 NY CODE

7:43 PM NITEL JUNE 3, 1975 OXM

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-L60644)

ATTN: INTO

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO); IS; 00:CG)

ON JUNE 2, 1975, [REDACTED] WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT ON JUNE 1, 1975, NEW YORK
CITY CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO MOVED ITS HEADQUARTERS TO 41 UNION SQUARE,
NEW YORK CITY, ROOM 311. TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 255-7012.

END.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

7/5/93

SP. BGA VA

REC-104

100-111011-4272

JUN 5 1975

JUN 10 1975

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

[REDACTED]

b7c

Z

[REDACTED]

b7c

FBI

Date: May 29, 1975

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)

Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 BJA/VA
ON 7-5-95

CONFIDENTIAL
TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448692)
FROM TWK/ech SAC, CINCINNATI (100-19743) (P)
SUBJECT VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
IS

Re Bureau airtel to AL, dated 5/21/75, setting forth Columbus, Ohio, as tentative site of the tentatively scheduled NSCM of the VVAW for July, 1975.

This airtel is classified "Confidential" to protect [redacted] disclosure of whom could be detrimental to National security.

b2
b7D P

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau and Chicago, are two (2) copies each of a letter recently furnished by [redacted] a [redacted] member of the [redacted] Chapter of the VVAW. This letter is getting wide distribution in [redacted] VVAW/WSO members. The letter is attributed to [redacted] former Regional

b2
b7D
b7C

Classified By 206 [redacted]
Exempt from GDS, Category 2
Date of Declassification Indefinite

100-448692-4273
JUN 2 1975

- 2-Bureau (Encs. 2)
2-Chicago (100-50772) (Encs. 2)
6-Cincinnati
(2-100-19743) (1-100-20314) (VVAW-DAYTON)
(1-100-20591) (VVAW-CI) (1-100-18902) (VVAW-COLUMBUS)
(1-100-21818) (VVAW-ATHENS)

JMC:cjb
(10)

CONFIDENTIAL

54 JUN 1 1975
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

CI 100-19743

CONFIDENTIAL

Coordinator of the VVAW/WSO in the [REDACTED] Region. As is apparent in his letter, this region is currently in a state of some chaos because of several chapters reluctance to follow what appears to be RU domination of the National VVAW Office.

In that regard, it is noted that the letter sets forth that the Columbus Chapter voted unanimously to withdraw from VVAW/WSO. In view of that, it is considered most unlikely that Columbus, Ohio, will be the site of any NSCM in the immediate future. Cincinnati sources have not, to date, provided any specific information concerning the location of such a meeting but have been alerted to immediately advise in the event such information becomes available.

CONFIDENTIAL

P.O. Box 10116
Columbus, Ohio 43201

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 11/5/85 BY SP6 BJA/DA

4-23-75

To all VVAW/WSO regions, chapters and contacts

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

On Thursday April 10, 1975, I resigned from VVAW/WSO. As an ex-regional coordinator (MOBILE/VAWPA region - April 1974 to April 1, 1975), I think it's important that I let the general membership know the exact basis for my leaving. For the past three weeks I've been jotting notes on paper and writing outlines; trying my best to summarize my experience. This has been an extremely difficult task and I don't have the time to write a complete analysis. This paper then, will deal with my reaction to what's going on, some general criticisms, and finally, what I can only speculate to be the future of VVAW/WSO. I hope that people that disagree with the content of my letter do so in an honest manner as that is the very basis for my writing. I do not want this letter to be used as a further wedge in the continuing struggle within VVAW/WSO; rather, it is my hopes that my criticisms will be looked upon as just that - criticism and not an attack. Also, you must keep in mind that I do not profess to be a great political and/or theoretical writer. Therefore, honest criticism should not concern how I say something, but what I say.

In my years term as regional coordinator I have seen much change. Since the July demonstration in Washington my main job was trying to hold the region together and build at the same time. The main factor, in my opinion, that started this alienation on the part of the membership was the booklet Build the Anti-imperialist Veterans Movement published and distributed by the Revolutionary Union (RU). From that point to the present, this region has all but fell apart. The Dayton chapter has been lowered to that of an organizing contact; the Cleveland chapter is on paper only; the Athens chapter is alienated and disillusioned; and finally, the Columbus chapter voted unanimously to withdraw from VVAW/WSO. Why did this happen? Who is to blame? It is my opinion that much of the blame rests on the RU, the national office of VVAW/WSO, and to a lesser extent regional leadership.

It is important to look at those months between the July demo and the St. Louis NSCM. First off, RU participation in this organization didn't just "fall out of the sky"! RU members didn't wake up one morning and want to join VVAW/WSO. It had to be a conscious decision on the part of RU leadership. Although I have no way of "proving" this, it is my firm belief that this is fact. Disciplined pre-party members don't do what they want to do. Also, participation was not isolated to one area; rather, every part of the country was affected. What this now meant, that instead of individual communists in the organization (who I have learned a great deal from and still respect very much) VVAW/WSO had a block of communists with the same line. What ensued from this point on was enough to make me question the very character of this "new" organization. People were building up more hate for opposing lines and the people that put them forward than they did for the common enemy. Unity, solidarity, and fighting the enemy came second - first we "had to rid the organization of these incorrect lines". From the beginning I played the part of referee in this

ENCLOSURE

page 2

region - even to the point of defending a cadre in this organization. I was criticized for "fence sitting". But as more and more people left - good, honest hard working people - I started to question my role as regional leadership. It came to the point where the tone and character of the organization had changed, and I was not a part of that, nor would I be in the future.

To the RU: You always claim to be "for the masses" and for "the working class". Don't you know that many people in the organization have that very background and present day status? If so, why don't you listen to them? Are you above criticism? It seems to me that your definition of "the masses" is either; (1) anyone who agrees with you, or; (2) someone that doesn't know of you. All opposition is not part of the "masses". You're always so defensive concerning your lines - never willing to really struggle with people. You listen to your hooks - your theory. But as we all know - books don't make history, people do. And when a lot of people tell you you're fucking up, listen to them. You will instantly read any criticism in a defensive manner and use your interpretation of Marxism-Leninism to not accept it. It's important that you understand exactly where people are at. I admire and respect your dedication and self-sacrifice; those are the qualities of a good communist. But also, "they do not set up any sectarian principles of their own to shape and mould the proletarian movement". (Manifesto of the Communist Party) And don't you see, that's exactly what you're trying to do with VVA/VSO. Either we're a fighting anti-imperialist veterans movement or we're nothing (or any number of other terms ranging from reformist to blood sucking agents of the bourgeoisie!). You have, in the course of this struggle, alienated a lot of people. I think you've fucked up - and that is heavy political criticism.

To the national office: This whole struggle was handled wrong. First the RU booklet, and the rumors started flying. Then you hit the organization with your position paper before a national meeting and expected a yes or no in six months. The rumors were still flying and they should have been handled through the national newsletter - but they were not. As to your position paper - true leadership would have come to the masses in the organization first, then came out with a position paper on the basis of that sum-up. Yes - we did need a focus to our work (at least it had to be defined), and priorities should have been made - and national programs. But your position paper just happened to correspond with the RU plan for the organization, and people did have honest questions as to where it came from. This was never handled either, and for myself, it was too little too late. This organization had been used to the struggle coming from the bottom (i.e., Winter Soldier concept) and going up - and this one clearly came from the top to the bottom.

To regional leadership? In hindsight, we were guilty too. We were the ones caught in the middle. When lines were being drawn, some of us went to aides. The name calling that took place from one aide also took place from the other, and that was wrong. At least for my part, it was an ignorance of how dishonest some people could be - on both sides. But we had no way of knowing that; the honest members of the organization got burnt the worst.

So why did I leave the struggle? Name calling, rumors, arrogance, elitism, dogmatism, and dis-honesty are the main factors. I felt the struggle was not really a true struggle. True struggle, to me, is a two way street with both aides meeting and honestly taking into consideration each others position. When you struggle with people, you have to be cognizant of where they are coming

from and you have to be able to compromise some of your positions; to admit that maybe, just maybe, they have a point in what they're saying. When, in the course of the struggle that is going on (or has taken place) I have always been ready to admit that my position (or line) is flexible and subject to change if it can be proven (to bear out in practice) that I'm wrong. However, when arguing with the political "plants" of this organization, everything is boiled down to a two line struggle (that is, one line is proletarian and the other is bourgeois) and you know that they have the proletarian line, where does that leave you but in the wrong and advocating the bourgeois line. I not only find this insulting, but totally frustrating and I personally can't continue in this type of struggle.

As for the future of VVAW/WSO, I can only guess. If true struggle starts taking place - maybe there's hope. But I know that will not happen. What will be left is cadre trying to organize other cadre. New members will either agree with the lines or as in the past with their region, become alienated and leave. And that's the shame of it all. What was once, in my opinion, a very good mass organization with pacifists, liberals, communists (not saying that you had to agree with any of those positions) and many others working together to defeat imperialism has become a hard line organization organizing others into that line. If you should happen to disagree with those lines.....witness the St. Louis NSCM and the line trashing that went on there. This is not to say that people should not study and formulate correct ideology - this should be a continuing process. But what has happened within this organization is a good example of "what is NOT to be done". I hope, sincerely, that people learn from the errors that were made.

Finally, in the years I have been in the organization I have learned alot. My politica and practice were advanced and I have made many good friends throughout the country - including members of the RU. I consider people still my friends and I still want to hear from everyone and will respond to anyone who writes. You have to realize that as much of my life, time, money, and energy that I put into building this organization, this was a very painful decision to make. Again, the brunt of the blame for all of this doesn't rest on the RU - but on people. I had to leave because I could no longer deal with political vending machines.

Solidarity.

*Jeff
Kornblum*

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 5/30/75

SAC, BALTIMORE (100-27909) (P)

SUBJECT:

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE
WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
IS - VVAW/WSO
BALTIMORE DIVISION
(OO: Chicago)

Re Baltimore letters to the Bureau 2/12/74 and 6/17/74

I. VVAW/WSO ACTIVITIES DELAWARE AREA

This area is covered under the "Delaware-Eastern Pennsylvania-S. New Jersey" caption in the VVAW/WSO Chapter and Regional list as of April, 1975. It is to be noted that this area does not contain any indication that there is a chapter in the State of Delaware.

The VVAW/WSO Chapter list formerly carried [REDACTED] Street, Newark, Delaware, for a member in [REDACTED]

On March 4, 1974, [REDACTED] (BA 100-31207) was interviewed [REDACTED] authority. He admitted taking part in VVAW activity in Delaware during 1971. He related that there was no organizer or head of the Delaware group, which accounted for its short-lived existence and lack of support. He claimed the chapter is now defunct and had been since early 1972. He claimed someone submitted his name to the National head [REDACTED] in Chicago, Illinois, and he still receives literature at [REDACTED] Street, Newark, Delaware, even though [REDACTED] address. He indicated [REDACTED]

- 1-4440 JEL
- 1 - Bureau (RM)
 - 1 - 100-47639 (MLP)
 - 2 - Chicago (100-50772) (RM)
 - 1 - Washington Field (info) (100-47162) (RM)
 - 2 - Baltimore

PMG:vlh

(8)
54 JUN 28 1975

EX-105

CLASSIFIED BY 3863
EXEMPT FROM GDS CATEGORY 2

DATE OF DECLASSIFICATION Indefinite

REC 53

100-448092-4274

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

JUN 10 1975

DECLASSIFIED BY [REDACTED]
ON 7/5/93

FILE

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



5010-110

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN
OTHERWISE

UNREC COPY FILED IN

b7c

b7c

BA 100-27909

The above list also shows the address "Highway 13", 108 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland, telephone numbers 301-792-0915 and 301-366-7200.

The VVAW/WSO regional newsletter dated 7/15/74 revealed that people in the Baltimore area wishing to help re-build the Baltimore chapter of the VVAW are requested to get in touch with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Baltimore, Maryland 21218, telephone number [REDACTED] (ADEX) (Bufile 100-458708; BA 100-266[REDACTED]) continues to provide the leadership for the VVAW/WSO in the Baltimore area.

On April 20, 1975, CS [redacted] advised that [redacted] is a Revolutionary Union (RU) member for the cause of the VVAW/WSO through his membership and participation in the activities of the Military Law Project (MLP). The MLP publication "Highway 13" is headquartered at 108 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland. (u)

The VVAW/WSO Chapter and Regional list of April, 1975, contained the following lists:

Regional Office

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/
Winter Soldier Organization
521-B Second Street N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002
telephone: (202) 543-0817

Washington, D.C. (no address given)
telephone: (301) 522-7670

The VVAW/WSO Newsletter dated November 22, 1973, indicated that the new regional office address was 521-B Second Street N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002.

The August, 1974, "Winter Soldier", publication of the VVAW/WSO also revealed that the regional office for the Maryland-Washington, D.C.-Virginia area was located at the above address.

The MLP (Bufile 100-476397; BA 100-30952) was organized in February, 1973, under the combined financial sponsorship of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) and the Washington

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BA 100-27909

Area Military and Draft Law Panel. The MLP authorized the use of their location as an office for the VVAW/WSO; however, AFSC pressure forced the VVAW/WSO to use another location for their regional office. The AFSC is a pacifist religious group in Baltimore, Maryland.

It is to be further noted that the address [redacted] b7C
[redacted] N.E., Washington, D.C., is the address of [redacted]
[redacted] 31428; WFO 100-57741). 11/

A VVAW/WSO D.C.-Maryland-Virginia Newsletter dated 7/15/74 prepared by [redacted] addressed to "brothers and sisters who attended the July 1-4 demonstration" expressed appreciation to the membership for participating in their national demonstration. It was regarded as a major victory in building "a mass anti-imperialist movement in this country." b7C
It is pointed out that this demonstration was only the beginning of a national campaign demanding universal unconditional amnesty, implement the agreements, end all aid to THIEU and LON NOL, single-type discharge for all vets, decent benefits for all vets and kick NIXON out. The chapters in the D.C.-Maryland-Virginia region, as well as other chapters across the country, will continue to conduct local demonstrations, discharge upgrading clinics, military counselling and other activities to build public support for the five demands. This newsletter ended up requesting all who participated in the national demonstration to build the VVAW/WSO and continue the struggle against "our common enemy - U. S. imperialism".

The VVAW/WSO sponsored the National GI Conference at Chicago, Illinois, October 11 - 14, 1974. Sources at this conference furnished a pre-printed list of participants to the conference which indicated that the MLP, 319 East 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, telephone (301) 366-7200, was represented by [redacted] and [redacted] b7C

The address 319 East 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, is the office of the AFSC. [redacted] true name [redacted]
[redacted] (BA 100-31519) is an employee of the AFSC on leave from the MLP and an active participant of the VVAW/WSO activities.

[redacted] (BA 100-31766) is a former GI affiliated with the MLP and a current member of the VVAW/WSO.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BA 100-27909

The VVAW/WSO held a National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM) at St. Louis, Missouri, December 27 - 31, 1974. [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] of the VVAW/WSO, [REDACTED] the NSCM. It is noted that [REDACTED] is also a member of the RU in the Baltimore Division and the Bureau has been advised of [REDACTED] activities.

b2
b7D
b7C

On October 28, 1974, the VVAW/WSO sponsored a Veterans Day demonstration under the caption "War on the VA" and their objective was to build the anti-imperialist veterans movement and set forth the general demands for unconditional amnesty and other veterans benefits. The above demonstration was to take place in front of the White House and proceed to the Veterans Assistance Center in Washington, D.C. and conclude with burning of multiple discharge papers.

The March 23, 1975, VVAW/WSO Newsletter, #3S, under the title of "Regional Reports", the Maryland/D.C. Region planned to hold a march and rally on March 28, 1975, in Washington, D.C. Their objective is to begin the rally at an unemployment office and proceed through the Washington community and terminate at the VA Office for another rally. Their demands will be "jobs or income for all". It was also pointed out that the Baltimore chapter had weekly picket lines in front of the VA Office to emphasize their demands. The newsletter continued that the region has had some problems with peoples' defeatist attitudes, i.e. members who expressed doubts about the mass movement. This problem has led to the demoralization of other chapter members and these problems were discussed at regional meetings. The reasons behind these attitudes were brought out and the region has been dealing with these problems as one way to overcome past failures and move chapter work ahead.

On March 5, 1975, two VVAW/WSO members spoke at a small forum sponsored by the Revolutionary Student Brigade (RSB) at Towson State College. The members spoke about amnesty as well as the threat of imperialist war and the upcoming March 28th demonstration.

On March 26, 1975, at a meeting of the [REDACTED] held at Laurel, Maryland, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had anticipated attending the VVAW/WSO regional [REDACTED] national meeting.

b2
b7D
b7C

S

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BA 100-27909

to be held in April, 1975. It was also reported that the AFSC had expressed dissatisfaction with the operation of the MLP and had discontinued any connection with the MLP publication "Highway 13" and was very much against the revolutionary tactics of [redacted] and [redacted].

On May 17, 1975, the VVAW/WSO sponsored a demonstration at Fort Meade, Maryland, where they chanted slogans and carried placards and signs protesting U. S. involvement in Indochina and advocated GIs and veterans to unite against fighting "imperialist wars". Other VVAW/WSO chapters from New York and Chicago participated in this demonstration which numbered between 75 and 100 individuals. This demonstration was orderly and no incidents or arrests occurred.

As of May, 1975, CS [redacted] advised that the AFSC has ordered the MLP to cease all operations connected with the "Highway 13" and any related activities at the MLP Center, 108 Washington Boulevard, Laurel, Maryland. An ultimatum was given that this center was to be used only for counselling purposes. All revolutionary-type literature, which was formerly on display at the center, was ordered to be removed. It was also pointed out that any VVAW/WSO activity associated with the AFSC, such as utilizing the AFSC address on 25th Street, Baltimore, Maryland, is to be discontinued. (S) u

b2
b7C
b7D

Baltimore is aware of the fact that the VVAW/WSO in the Baltimore Division is strongly influenced and controlled by [redacted] who is an active member of the RU. [redacted] has, in the past, held Marxist-Leninist study classes which are not in progress at this time. [redacted] has criticized the objectives of the CPUSA and has expressed the Marxist-Leninist teachings more in line with the Maoist approach.

Investigation of the VVAW/WSO will continue in the Baltimore Division in order to determine whether any federal statutes are being violated on the part of individual members and supporters. If these individuals do not qualify for continued investigation, these cases will be closed and FBIHQ will be notified.

The Baltimore Office will continue to maintain adequate coverage of the activities of the VVAW/WSO and ascertain its control by other activist revolutionary groups such as the RU and also its direction and control by the National Collective of the VVAW/WSO at Chicago, Illinois.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BA 100-27909

Two copies of the communication are being furnished to Chicago inasmuch as their office is OO in this matter.

An information copy is being furnished to Washington Field in view of inter-activity of VVAW members from Washington, D.C. with the VVAW in the Baltimore and surrounding area.

7
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Enc. #3

DOH A-443

SCS

community

OL34 NO.2

WINTER 74

50¢

UNITING A COUNTRY

The Case for
UNCONDITIONAL
AMNESTY

ENCLOSURE

100-448092-4274X

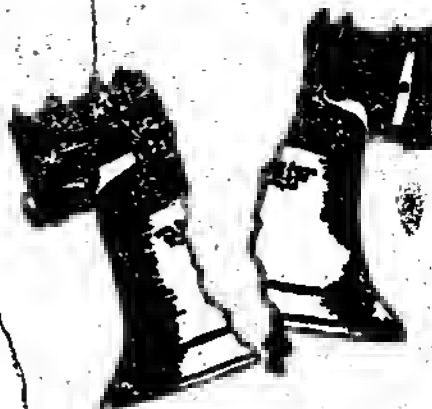
SOME OF US CAN'T RETURN HOME AGAIN THIS YEAR

BY JEREL OLSEN

History will call it the War Without an End. Even today the war in Indochina goes on two years after the signing of the so-called Cease-fire Agreement in Paris during January, 1973. One overriding reason makes possible the continuation of the war: an unending supply of United States dollars, equipment, and the minds behind them. During Fiscal Year 1974 alone, the year of the "cease-fire", we supplied more than \$3.2 billion to the puppet Thieu and his regime. This figure equaled 86.3% of the budget of South Vietnam. (U.S. foreign aid for the rest of the world combined was \$3.542 billion for the same period.) The present administration has requested \$3.76 billion for Indochina during Fiscal Year 1975.

The vast majority of money and equipment we supply goes directly into President Thieu's army as well as his paramilitary police force and its notorious prison system. The police force itself has multiplied twelve times over in the last ten years and is infamous for its raids upon unsuspecting, innocent citizens and visiting foreigners alike. Much of the money allocated for their operations is channeled into a central records system containing more than eleven million bio-data documents and dossiers on private Vietnamese. A substantial portion of money is used to build and maintain the "tiger cage" prison cells, a number of which are located on Chu Son Island off the Southern coast of Vietnam in addition to the perpetration of other outright methods of torture which are inflicted upon more than 200,000 political prisoners and other citizens.

Official Saigon governmental figures for military killed or wounded (South Vietnamese and enemy) between the so-called cease-fire (January, 1973) and September, 1974 totalled 340,597—a figure considered low by most reliable authorities. According to a January 27, 1974 report by the Senate Subcommittee on Refugees, 43,100 civilians were admitted to hospitals in South Vietnam during the first year after the "cease-fire", with estimates on actual dead or



wounded reaching a total of 80,000. Staff sources of that committee predicted "much higher figures this year."

By the same token we provide significant aid to the "karm" of the Lon Nol government which is presently in power in Cambodia. As one illustration of the use of our tax dollars there, 20% of the so-called Peace allocations for that country goes into governmental repression of the people. The war in that country cost U.S. taxpayers \$419.1 million during Fiscal Year 1974. \$8.41 million has been requested for Fiscal Year 1975.

Clearly the political prisoners in Vietnam, incarcerated in blatant violation of the peace accords, must be released. Free elections must be held. All assistance to the South Vietnamese and Cambodian governments must cease immediately. Even the best of the "humanitarian" programs, the Food for Peace program already mentioned, has been turned against the citizens of both countries. In South Vietnam nearly one-hundred percent of these appropriations are turned into revenue for military repression.

The true effect and purpose of our "aid" programs to Indochina become lucid when we look for a moment at the statistics. Of the total resources of Food for Peace in Fiscal 1974, 49% went to Indochina; that is, to less than 2% of the total world population. In addition to this and other monetary assistance we also provide trained men and women to oversee the operations of the program. Of the nearly 8,000 United States personnel our government acknowledges to have supplied, approximately 80% are in a military capacity (UPI, June 11, 1974). Meanwhile some 350,000 soldiers have died, not to mention countless numbers of civilians wounded, made refugees, or killed since the signing of the peace agreements. The time soon will come when we must pay our war debt to a people whose countryside we have ravaged for more than a decade. The shameful aid we currently provide betrays our very intentions of peace.

London 19 493

The time soon will come when
we must pay our debt - to a
people whose country side we have
ravaged for more than a decade.

But while the war is still very real for the Indo-Chinese, so it is also very real for many Americans. It is real for the veteran who lives with nightmares of atrocities experienced - an unwanted, unjustified, and immoral war thousands of miles away from home, for the returned POW, and for the individual in need of amnesty.

President Ford has suggested that "earned re-entry" for certain categories of war resisters be implemented in place of amnesty. In effect then, the offer he makes is one of "forgiveness" to but a limited number of those in need of amnesty; that is to say in return for punitive national service. This kind of amnesty is unlike unless the reference is directed toward the real criminals to what has been characterized by a former American expatriate as

"a war that has never been declared, that has failed to comply with the Geneva Convention, that has destroyed and obliterated a continent on one side, that has helped to ruin the other, and that has left a trail of death and destruction."

Currently available statistics show impressively that the presidential program is a failure. The need for true amnesty is apparent. In response to the "earned re-entry" plan, the movement for amnesty and draft resistance counseling established the Clemency Information Center in the United States and the War Resister Information Program (WRIP) in Canada. The most recent statistics from WRIP show that of the initial 5,000 calls from the exile community (which comprises approximately 10% of the war resisters), only ~~about~~ have opted for the presidential program to date. The predicted participation level through January is 5% of those covered by the proclamation, which is but a limited number for whom the amnesty movement seeks justice.

"Earned re-entry" is, for most of those affected, far more punitive than other options still available to them. For example, many military resisters can elect to return to military jurisdiction and be discharged "for the good of the service." They would receive a discharge paper - although not as discrediting as the "Clemency Discharge" given those who complete the presidential program - but would not be required to submit to "alternate service", a requirement of that program. Many draft resisters erroneously believe they presently are being sought when that is not the case. (Since 1963, 209,000 men were told by state local draft boards that they were delinquent. Many went into hiding, though only 16,000 were indicted. And two-thirds of these men either were acquitted or had the cases dismissed. Many were never notified of this!) Even those judged guilty in a court of law often have a better avenue than "earned re-entry" in that sentences in certain judicial districts are requiring a limited period of probation, with or

without "alternate service". Essentially, the only men and women who might to some degree "benefit" from the presidential program are those now incarcerated in civilian and military confines. Some of these having, or soon receiving, as yet unfulfilled lengthy terms of sentence have a choice between several years in confinement and two years of "alternate service" under the new program.

Under the president's proclamation and subsequent directives, men must agree that their actions were wrong, waive certain rights under Amendments to the Constitution, reaffirm their allegiance to the United States and, they must agree to whatever "alternative service" the government may impose, generally for a period of twenty-four months, though in some cases this period is reduced. (Law suits are challenging many of the most objectionable aspects of "earned re-entry.") The work assignments by law must be low paying, in the "national health, safety or interest", and must be without conflict to the competitive job market. Virtually identical provisions for conscientious objectors under control of the Selective Service System (the same agency administering the "alternate service" aspects of the conditional clemency program) placed 40% of their assignments as orderlies in hospitals. Others were ordered into ecology work camps in California or into other jobs rejected



by the general public. Now during the current recession, even these types of jobs are unavailable to the men and women involved. Of the first thousand men processed toward such assignments by the government, approximately one-half were already in confinement and those "earned re-entry" ahead of incarceration.



"Barred re-entry" is a failure. Further participation must be halted. Every government manipulation of figures will not save the cause. When the government provided the use of figures for the first 7,000 men in some stage of processing, they neglected to point out that this figure was essentially the total of men who were "barred re-entry". Most of them have not indicated in the charges to date. Granting even the low figures of potential participants suggested by the government, compared to a handful of the 206,000 men per year acknowledged by the Selective Service System to be "barred re-entry" will, the result, the present unemployment clearance program does not meet the needs of those affected. WHIP

Figures show that 80% of those calling will categorically not disrupt their lives for two years. Their intent is to merely be able to return to the States from time to time for the purpose of visiting with relatives and attending various family and business functions.

But for the portion of the war exiles who are living outside of the United States, return in a number of cases will be impossible if a true amnesty is not effected soon. Some already are excluded forever, regardless of the merits of the case the government has against them. Section 212 of the Immigration and Nationality Act provides for the permanent exclusion of anyone who becomes an alien and who has been sought by the government for draft or military related offenses. Thus, for men who felt compelled to select the advantages of foreign citizenship over the limbo of "alien resident" in their new homes, they may be barred forever from living in the United States, regardless of the fact that in some cases the government could never win litigation against them. An amnesty now would save men in making choices affecting the rest of their lives. Further, an amnesty should be written to apply retroactively to those previously compelled to accept new citizenship. It is past time to truly and effectively resolve—through a just amnesty—punishment of all who resist the Indochina War.

This war is unjustifiable by American or International Law and unauthorized by the American people. If we must speak of criminality and punishment, perhaps we should speak of the executives and stockholders who encouraged and profited from the war, and the war hawks who paved the way for their profits.

While amnesty cannot be taken to mean forgiveness when we speak of those opposed to an immoral war, neither should we accept the literal translation of its Greek root, *amnestia*, which is "not remembering", or forgetting. The only thing to be forgotten here is the punishment of those described by Senator Edward Kennedy as "those who are things we now see, but saw then sooner and did the only thing they could."

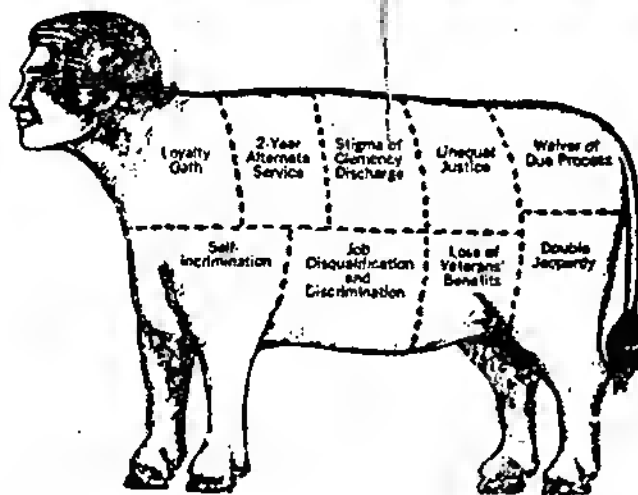
The lessons of the war, on the other hand, must be remembered rather than forgotten, as is not in repeat its mistakes. Amnesia typically follows a discussion of the righteous and wrongness of that war as Kennedy observed. In retrospect, any discussion of the righteous and wrongness of the Indochina War is mired in the brutality and destructiveness of a decade of struggle, 55,000 American lives, and untold numbers of lives from other nations is unchallengeable.

THE ONLY THING TO BE FORGOTTEN HERE IS THE PUNISHMENT OF "THOSE WHO SEE THINGS WE NOW SEE, BUT SAW THEM SOONER AND DID THE ONLY THING THEY COULD."

THE LESSONS OF THE WAR, ON THE OTHER HAND, MUST BE REMEMBERED SO AS NOT TO REPEAT ITS MISTAKES.

London A 493

So much flesh and blood was sacrificed in Vietnam. Do we really need to sacrifice another pound of flesh?



Amnesty has precedent, despite former President Richard Nixon's statements to the contrary at a press conference during 1973.

"If, at the end of the war, we broke every precedent that this country has had, this will be the first time that amnesty was provided. If we did that, we could not have a stable future in the future."

This statement is blatantly misleading. Article II, section 2 of the Constitution, providing for "Reprieves and Pardons for Offenses against the United States—except in the case of impeachment," has been invoked 30 times by chief executives. It was first used by President Washington as early as 1795 following the Whiskey Rebellion. An interesting twist was provided by President Jackson subsequent to the War of 1812, when the above was conditioned upon the stipulation that amnestied individuals never again enlist in the military! That is one provision potential present-day recipients of amnesty would accept.

In addition to these executive amnesties, seven acts of Congress may be placed under the category of amnesty, including the Universal Amnesty Act of 1898 which provided unconditional amnesty for all remaining rebels of the Civil War. In no case was America weakened as a "stable force," as shown by our procurement of bodies to fight in every war in U.S. history (including Vietnam) after every act of amnesty or clemency. We might even stretch the definition of amnesty for a moment and point to our aid and "amnesty," as it were, to enemies after every war in history.

If we can amnesty former enemies, can we not provide this same measure to our own children and friends? It should be noted too, that Australia provided unconditional amnesty to its draft resisters after removing its troops from Vietnam.

Amnesty is needed by hundreds of thousands of women and men. Some are in exile, most are in this country. Some are in prisons, some are underground, some are yet to have their cases isolated and prosecuted by the Justice Department. Some already have paid legal penalties but continue to pay social penalties, employment rejections not being the least of these. Such rejections and other penalties (in some states even refusal of driver's licenses) are the result of felony convictions and less-than-honorable discharges resulting from opposition to the war. Still other hardships may result covertly from law enforcement agency files about those who protested our involvement in Indochina. Those who have suffered punishment or harassment, or may suffer such in the future, the next door, may even be members of our own families.

The "crimes" involved vary in nature. Some individuals said, "No" to an inequitable and morally damnable draft. Others said, "No" to a military unsympathetic to necessary changes while seeking campaigns to justify more money and time for an already outrageously large and costly death-machine. Still others voiced their opposition to the war and its agencies through acts of civil disobedience—resistance to war taxation and the destruction of draft records to mention only two.

A just amnesty is a universal amnesty, encompassing all of the categories outlined above. It is unreasonable and unfair

to attempt to differentiate among them. An act of protest in an immoral and illegal way is precisely that, regardless of its point in time or the nature of its expression. The extraordinary talents of all of these women and men must be regained by our society.

At the same time, a just amnesty must be unconditional. War objectors are not criminals. Any punitive action implies guilt on their part. Resisters make it clear that they will not accept punitive "strings" attached to amnesty. The kind of conditional "re-entry" program suggested by President Ford is of no practical value.

Some commentators and legislators suggest a case-by-case review for war resisters. If psychology has taught us anything in recent years, it is that human beings are complex, their actions generally being predicated upon a myriad of often inseparable motives. How does one draw the line between those to be amnestied and those not to be? And if one attempts to do so, does this not add yet another advantage to the long list of others for the white, middle-class individual?

Draft resisters—those who avoid the draft before induction—are overwhelmingly white and middle-class, whereas military resisters—those who wake up to the facts of life about the military and the war after they enlist or have been inducted—are frequently poor and/or Black.

The white and middle class have had all the advantages. Better educated, they are better equipped to express their claims for deferment, exemption, and conscientious objection to their draft boards. In colleges and with their status in society they have more access to information on how legally to avoid induction. Once in the military, because of their education and "pull", they have more access to the means of avoiding Vietnam duty, or find themselves in safer roles behind desks or in the higher ranks.

On the other hand, many members of minority groups have seen the military as a way out of their social situation. It is only in the armed forces that they first discover the reality of the war and military life. They learn, too, that the military is one job in our society they cannot quit. Some attempt to obtain legal discharges, which are few and difficult to secure. Others find no recourse but to either confront directly with overt action the system in which they find themselves, or to simply walk away.

Review boards serve to perpetuate this class discrimination. But even were this not the case, review boards are unrealistic. A true amnesty affects hundreds of thousands of women and men. Financially and temporally, any but cursory review boards for all resisters are an impossibility. The review board established by President Harry Truman after World War II required a year to make a survey



reintegration of 100,000. Then, only 10,000 were done. Again, it was those who were best at expressing their views (mostly educated middle-class whites) who benefited.

American tradition demands that one be judged by one's peers. Who would judge those who, at great personal sacrifice, resisted an immoral war? It would be absurd to suggest that these be the same pragmatic individuals who originally condemned the racism by perpetuating the war.

Promises for broad and non-punitive amnesty legislation to be submitted to the newly elected Congress already have been made by Senator Philip Hart (D-Mich.), Congressman Ronald Dellums (D-Calif.), and Congresswoman Bella Abzug (D-N.Y.). Congressional aides are currently being assisted by several amnesty advocates. For the first time optimism can be expressed for Vietnam-era amnesty. The current Congress—the second youngest in American history—is expressing large-scale outrage toward the dominating and thoroughly unsuccessful "earned re-entry" program. Many members of Congress, behind closed doors, now indicate a desire to support strong amnesty measures—if they can be assured that recent polls are in fact correct in showing that their constituents are pro-amnesty. (The most recent Gallup poll indicated 41% in favor of amnesty without reservation, constituting a clear and steady trend toward a clear majority.) The time never was better to make your views known in Washington.

The true poets of the war resisters are we, the majority, who, when we learned the true facts about the war, demanded its immediate end. Now, when the facts about the millions who need a real amnesty are before us, we must demand that the jails and hospitals be opened and that those in exile and underground be returned full rights of citizenship.



Janel W. Olsen is the director of the National Campus Alliance for Amnesty, a program growing out of the United States Student Association, as well as consulting counseling co-ordinator of the War Resister Information Program in Canada. This winter he has counseled 800 men. For further information and counseling on the conditional re-entry program and amnesty he may be reached at (202) 325-7690.

NR 010 SF CODE

620PM NITEL 6/5/75 CJC

TO: DIRECTOR (100-448092) ALBANY (100-22519)
BALTIMORE (100-27309) BOSTON (100-42739)
BUFFALO (100-21523) BUTTE (100-9147)
CHARLOTTE (100-11256) CHICAGO (100-50772)
CINCINNATI (100-19743) CLEVELAND (100-31431)
DENVER (100-10457) JACKSONVILLE (100-1745)
KANSAS CITY (100-15886) LOS ANGELES (100-77703)
MIAMI (100-16340) MILWAUKEE (100-15674)
NEWARK (100-53565) NEW YORK (100-150644)
PHILADELPHIA (100-52640) PORTLAND (100-12313)
ST. LOUIS (100-21603) SEATTLE (100-31285)
TAMPA (100-2514) WASHINGTON FIELD (100-47162)

- - ALL OFFICES VIA FBIHQ - -

FROM: SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102) (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE); - IS
OO: CHICAGO.

A SOURCE ADVISED THAT AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS WAS
SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 27 - 30 AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI BY THOSE

TELETYPE TO: 5/19/75

DECLASSIFY ON

CONFIDENTIAL

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 11/11/01 BY 60322

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. A.D. Adm. _____
Dep. A.D. Inv. _____
Asst. Dir.: _____
Admin. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Inspection _____
Intell. 100-11256 _____
Laboratory _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Legal Coun. _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

b7c

16 JUN 10 1975

PAGE TWO SF 100-7022 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CHAPTERS OF THE VVAW/WSO WHO DO NOT SUPPORT THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION LEADERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE. SOURCE ADVISED THAT THIS CAUCUS WILL NOT REPLACE THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JULY, IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, BUT WILL APPARENTLY SOLIDIFY THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS VVAW CHAPTERS' POSITION REGARDING THEIR DESIRES TO RID THE VVAW OF RU CONTROL.

SOURCE'S [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] THAT CAUCUS OR AT THE NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING IN COLUMBUS, OHIO.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALBANY, MAY 21, 1975.

SAN FRANCISCO WILL REPORT ANY FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING THIS CAUCUS AS DEVELOPED. ALL RECEIVING OFFICES REQUESTED TO CONTACT LOGICAL SOURCES IN ATTEMPTS TO VERIFY THIS SCHEDULED ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS JUNE 27 - 30, 1975, AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. ANY POSITIVE RESULTS SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY FURNISHED TO BUREAU AND APPROPRIATE OFFICES. SOURCE IS [REDACTED] (c) b1

~~CLASSIFIED BY 7087, X933 2, INDEFINITE.~~

END

FOR ANY CORRECTIONS AND / OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION. THANKS YOU.

END

FOR ANY QUESTIONS / CORRECTIONS PLS CONTACT THE SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE

END

CONFIDENTIAL X

b7D

NR001 BU CODE

5:15PM NITEL JUNE 7, 1975 GJS

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623)

ATTN: INTD

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO); IS

DEMONSTRATION HELD BUFFALO, NEW YORK, FROM APPROXIMATELY
12 NOON, JUNE 7, 1975, WITH FOUR UNKNOWN PARTICIPANTS. DEMONSTRATION
CONCLUDED 12:30 PM. NO MARCH AND NO INCIDENTS OCCURRED.

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE BUFFALO NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 6, 1975.

NO LHM BEING SUBMITTED.

BUFFALO PD COGNIZANT AND OBSERVED ON SCENE.

DEMONSTRATION OBSERVED BY SA [REDACTED] AND

SA [REDACTED]

ENO

MAH FBIHQ ACK FDR ONE

WA CLR

Assoc. Dir.	
Dep. A.D. Adm.	
Dep. A.D. Inv.	
Asst. Dir.:	
Admin.	
Comp. Syst.	
Ext. Affairs	
Files & Com.	
Gen. Inv.	
Ident.	
Inspection	
Intell.	
Laboratory	
Plan. & Eval.	
Spec. Inv.	
Training	
Legal Coun.	
Telephone Rm.	
Director's Sec'y	

b7c

b7c

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/5/95 BY SP6 BJA/VA

REC-101

- 4276

Assessment
not warranted.
6/9/75
JUN 17 1975
58

5-cul

NR005 SL COOE

5:07PM NITEL 6-10-75 SEG

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)
BALTIMORE (100-27909)
BUFFALO (100-21623)
CHARLOTTE (100-11256)
CINCINNATI (100-19743)
DENVER (100-10467)
KANSAS CITY (100-15886)
MIAMI (100-16340)
NEWARK (100-53565)
PHILADELPHIA (100-52640)
SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102)
TAMPA (100-2514)

ALBANY (100-22519)
BOSTON (100-42739)
BUTTE (100-9147)
CHICAGO (100-50772)
CLEVELAND (100-31431)
JACKSONVILLE (100-1745)
LOS ANGELES (100-77703)
MILWAUKEE (100-15674)
NEW YORK (100-160644)
PORTLAND (100-12313)
SEATTLE (100-31285)
WASHINGTON FIELD (100-47162)

-----ALL OFFICES VIA WASHINGTON-----

FROM ST. LOUIS (100-21603)(P)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/
WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO
(TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE); - IS, OO: CHICAGO.

RE SAN FRANCISCO NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 5, 1975, AND NEW YORK
NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 9, 1975.

REFERENCED NITELS ADVISED VVAW/WSO ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS IS

22 JUN 11 1975

70 JUN 18 1975

7/5/75

863200

5-ent

Adm. Serv.	
Dep. Dir.	
Dep. Asst. Dir.	
Asst. Dir.:	
Adm. Serv.	
Crim. Inv.	
Ident.	
Insp.	
Intell.	
Lab.	
Legal Coun.	
Off. Cong. & Public Affs.	
Rec. Mgmt.	
Tech. Serv.	
Training	
Off. Liaison & Int. Affs.	

PAGE TWO SL 100-21603

SCHEDULED FOR ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 26 OR 27 THROUGH 28 OR 30
TO FORMULATE PLANS TO COUNTER REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) INFLUENCE IN
ORGANIZATION.

ST. LOUIS HAS NO SOURCE COVERAGE AT THIS TIME.

RECEIVING OFFICES HAVING SOURCES IN POSITION TO ATTEND SHOULD
SECURE BUREAU AUTHORITY FOR TRIP AND ADVISE ST. LOUIS.

ENO

FOR QUESTIONS/CORRECTIONS, CONTACT THE ST. LOUIS DIVISION.

ENO

MEB ACK FOR RELAY FBIHQ CLR AND TK



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Miami, Florida

May 28, 1975

In Reply, Please Refer to

File No.

Bufile 100-448092

Miami file 100-16340

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
CHARACTERIZATION OF SUBVERSIVE ORGANIZATION
IS - VVAW/WSO

The Dade County, Florida Vietnam Veterans Against The War, (name changed to Vietnam Veterans Against The War/ Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) in 1973, to include non-veterans as members) was an affiliate of the National VVAW/WSO and became defunct in early 1975.

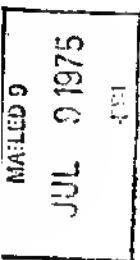
The National VVAW/WSO, currently Marxist-Leninist-Mao oriented, voted at the December, 1974, National Steering Committee Meetings to align VVAW/WSO with the Revolutionary Union, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the United States.

Source Former
current

[REDACTED]

b2
b7D

100-448092-



ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/5/90 BY 2672/US

NOT RECORDED
5 JUN 2 1975

APPROVED 42
Date 7/16/75
5 JUL 10 1975
MAIL ROOM [initials]

b7C
[initials]
[REDACTED]

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D.-Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D.-Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	
Admin.	_____
Crim. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director	_____

b7c

NR016 CG CODE

533PM NITEL 6-5-75 TG

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)
FROM CHICAGO (100-50772)

Man
TELETYPE

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION. IS.

RE FBIHQ TELEPHONE CALL, JUNE 5, 1975.

BASED UPON INFORMATION FURNISHED IN REFERENCED CALL, CHICAGO, UNABLE TO SUBSTANTIATE INFORMATION THAT ONLY CONSISTENT VVAW/WSO EFFORTS TO ORGANIZE RESERVE AND NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS WAS DONE IN CHICAGO AREA, 1972-1973.

Agm/act

REVIEW OF FILES FAILS TO REFLECT ANY CONCERTED EFFORT MADE REGARDING ABOVE.

SOURCES AVAILABLE TO CHICAGO HAVE NOT REPORTED ANY INFORMATION RE INSTANT MATTER IN THIS AREA BY VVAW/WSO, NOR HAS CHICAGO RECEIVED ANY INDICATION THIS TYPE ACTIVITY WAS CARRIED OUT BY VVAW/WSO IN OTHER AREAS.

p

END

EX 103

REC 68

100-448092-4278

7/5/75

SP4 [signature]

JUN 12 1975

[Redacted]

b7c

HOLD

150

975

RUSSELL B. LONG, LA., CHAIRMAN

BERNARD E. TAI MADGE, GA.
JAMES HARTKE, IND.
ABRAHAM RICHCOFF, CONN.
HARRY F. BYRD, JR., VA.
BAYLORD NELSON, WIS.
WALTER F. MONDALE, MINN.
MIKE GRAVEL, ALASKA
LLOYD BENTSEN, TEX.
WILLIAM D. HATHAWAY, M. E.
FLOYD K. HASKELL, COLO.

CARL T. CURTIS, REID
PAUL J. FANNIN, ARIZ.
CLIFFORD P. HANSEN, IOWA
ROBERT J. DOLE, KANS.
BOB PACKWOOD, OREG.
WILLIAM V. ROY, JR., DEL.
BILL BROCK, TENN.

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

MICHAEL STERN, STAFF DIRECTOR

DONALD V. MOOREHEAD, CHIEF MINORITY COUNSEL

May 6, 1975 RECEIVED

MAY 8 1975

Office of Legislative Affairs
Room 1607, Main Building
U.S. Department of Justice
10th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530

O.L.A.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing correspondence which I received regarding alleged harassment directed at the Vietnam Veterans Against the War and Winter Soldier Organization, Inc., by the FBI and the IRS.

I would appreciate a response from the agencies on this matter.

Sincerely,

William D. Hathaway
William D. Hathaway
U.S. Senator

WDH:jc

RECEIVED
MAY 8 1975
CRIMINAL DIVISION

146-1-51-21486
MAY 7 1975
R.A.O.
OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS
CRIMINAL DIV.
Int. Sec. Section

RECEIVED
ENCLOSURE
100-448092-4279

see memo on Hathaway
CML:bmj 6/5/75

7-5-95 306621K

FROM	DATE OF DOCUMENT	SUSPENSE DATE
SEN. WILLIAM D. HATHAWAY	5/6/75	5/19/75
TO	DATE RECEIVED	CONTROL NO.
OLA	5/8/75	2563
DESCRIPTION	REFERRED TO	DATE
letter of [REDACTED]	Crim. Div.	5/8/75
	FBI	5-8-75
REMARKS		
	PREPARE REPLY FOR SIGNATURE OF	
	FBI	
	Crim. Div.	

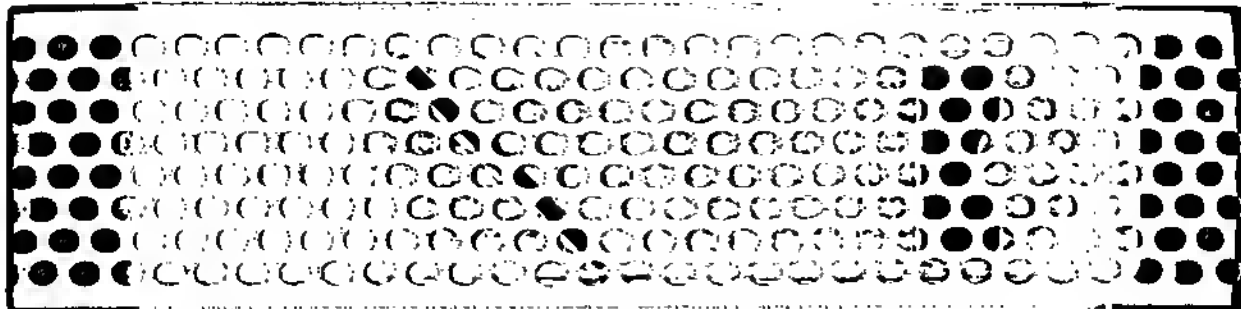
MAIL CONTROL

REPLACES AD-820
WHICH MAY BE USED

DJ-29
7-5-75

ENCLOSURE 16

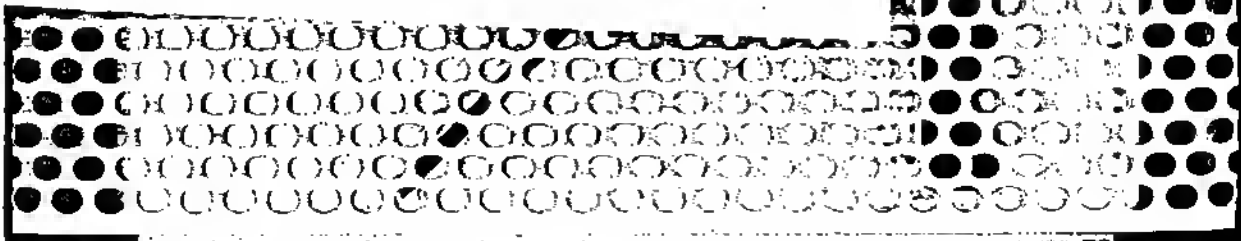
4279



The attached mail has been charged to
your office for appropriate action. If it
is necessary to forward elsewhere,
please advise the Congressional Services
Office, extension 2120.

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 7/15/95 BY SP6/gy/rk



[REDACTED]
Winterport
Maine 04496
April 30, 1975

Senator William D. Hathaway
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Hathaway:

I enclose a copy of a communication from Vietnam Veterans Against the War and Winter Soldier Organization, Inc., asking for funds to protect themselves from the United States Government, specifically from the F.B.I. and the I.R.S.

So long as there was a Vietnam War, of which [REDACTED] and I were long-standing opponents, we occasionally, as we could, threw such organizations a small check.

What we would like to know now is whether there is substance behind the charges in this "Instagram." If so, we believe we would help them.

If those government bureaus are indeed harassing members of the above-mentioned organizations, what rationalization exists for their acts, and is the rationalization Constitutionally and morally defensible?

Some inquiries from your office might well be worth more to those veterans than our modest check.

Sincerely,
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

b7C

1/5/95 3066/VA

ENCLOSURE

100-448072-4279

United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON
LABOR AND PUBLIC WELFARE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

Wm. D. Hastings
U.S.S.

Office of Legislative Affairs
Room 1607, Main Building
U.S. Department of Justice
10th Street and Constitution Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20530

7/5/95

526/28-UP

(1) 448092-4279

INSTAGRAM

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/
Winter Soldier Organization, Inc.

EMERGENCY. VVAV/WSO IS UNDER A VIRTUAL STATE OF SIEGE
BY THE GOVERNMENT. NOT CONTENT WITH PAST ATTEMPTED
PRANK-UPS LIKE GAINESVILLE 8 THE GOVERNMENT THROUGH ITS
AGENCIES IS OUT TO STOP OUR ORGANIZING OF VETERANS
AND GI'S. CONTINUOUS INTIMIDATION OF MEMBERS BY THE FBI
AND HARASSMENT FROM THE IRS IN 1975 HAS PLACED A HUGE
FINANCIAL STRAIN ON US. WE MUST NOT LET VVAV/WSO FALL
UNDER THEIR IRON FIST. WE NEED MONEY FAST. YOU ARE THE
ONLY SOURCE WE HAVE. YOUR GIFT TODAY WILL MAKE ALL THE
DIFFERENCE. ANY AMOUNT YOU SEND IS URGENTLY NEEDED.

THANK YOU.

NATIONAL OFFICE

b7c

b7c
b6

7/1/95

SB6/Jan 19

4

ENCLOSURE

100-448092-4279

1 - Mr. J. A. Mintz
 1 - (Attn: [redacted])
 1 - Mr. D. Moore, Jr.
 1 - Mr. [redacted]
 1 - Mr. [redacted]
 1 - Mr. [redacted]
 1 - Mr. [redacted]

b7c

June 5, 1975

Honorable William D. Hathaway
 United States Senate
 Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Hathaway:

Your letter (with enclosures) of May 6, 1975, to the Office of Legislative Affairs, United States Department of Justice, regarding alleged harassment of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was received and referred to this Bureau for the requested response.

You may be interested to know that the VVAW/WSO is currently under investigation by this Bureau based on information that its activities could involve violations of Federal statutes. This investigation is directed toward the gathering of material pertinent to a determination as to whether or not the VVAW/WSO has violated or is engaged in activities which may result in a violation of Federal statutes, and at no time has the Federal Bureau of Investigation engaged in harassment of this organization.

Inasmuch as this is an ongoing investigation, it would be inappropriate to go into further detail.

Sincerely yours,

1 - Assistant Attorney General
 Office of Legislative Affairs (Enclosures 3)

1 - Boston (100-42739) (Information) (Enclosures 3)

Director

Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____
 Asst. Dir. _____
 Admin. _____
 Comp. Syst. _____
 Ext. Affairs _____
 Files & Com. _____
 Gen. Inv. _____
 Ident. _____
 Insp. _____
 Intell. _____
 Lab. _____
 Plan. & Eval. _____
 Spec. Inv. _____
 Training _____
 Legal Coun. _____
 Telephone Rm. _____
 Director Sec'y _____

CNL:bmf
 (10)

ENCLOSURE

MAILED 7
 JUN 6 1975
 FBI

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
 HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

7/3/75
 HEP/SEP

JUN 10 1975

MAIL ROOM ☐

TELETYPE UNIT ☐

Vietnam Veterans Against the War

Mg

file me
100 4488948092
4279

56 JUN 2 1975
56 JUN 2 1975

Honorable William D. Hathaway

NOTE:

In 4/74, one [REDACTED] Winterport, Maine, received a written request from the VVAW/WSO National Office asking for funds to help protect VVAW/WSO from the FBI and IRS, which agencies the VVAW/WSO communication accuses of intimidation and harassment, respectively. Also referred to therein is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] wrote Senator Hathaway 4/30/75 and suggested inquiry into such alleged harassment of this veterans organization. Senator Hathaway, in turn, directed letter dated 5/6/75 to Office of Legislative Affairs of Department requesting response regarding alleged harassment.

b6
b7C

Outgoing letter is being sent directly to Senator Hathaway since Department, in transmitting incoming correspondence from the Senator to FBI for handling, indicated that Bureau reply should be over Director's signature. Original incoming correspondence is being returned to Department as enclosures to their copy of outgoing. Intelligence Division has coordinated this matter with Congressional Services Office, Legal Counsel Division. FBI files contain no information identifiable with [REDACTED] Winterport, Maine.

MESSAGE RELAY

Transmit in ☐ Plaintext
☒ Code

Via Teletype the Attached

☐ Immediate
☐ Urgent
☒ Nitel

Date

6/7/75

Message

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: Legats:

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 BJA/LLK
 ON 7/5/95

To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President ☐ The Vice President ☐ White House Situation Room
☐ Attn: ☐ Attn:

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General ☐ Deputy Attorney General
☐ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

☒ Attn: Internal Security Section ☐ Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement Administration

RUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization Service

RUEOIAA/ ☐ National Security Agency
 (DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOO))

RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's Service

RUEOLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative Service

RUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFOSI)

RUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
 (Use RUEVDFS if Unclassified)

RUEACSI/ ☐ Department of the Army

RUEHSE/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEAIIA/ ☐ Director, CIA

RUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of State

RUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard

RUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of Transportation
 Attn: Director of Security

RUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RHEGGTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development
 Administration

RUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration

ST-117

REC-20

5 JUN 10 1975

Assoc. Dir. _____
 Dep. AD Adm. _____
 Dep. AD Inv. _____
 Asst. Dir.: _____
 Admin. _____
 Comp. Syst. _____
 Ext. Affairs _____
 Files & Com. _____
 Gen. Inv. _____
 Ident. _____
 Insp. _____
 Intell. _____
 Laboratory _____
 Legal Coun. _____
 Plan. & Eval. _____
 Spec. Inv. _____
 Training _____
 Telephone Rm. _____
 Director Sec'y _____

Classification: ☐ Top Secret
☐ Secret
☒ Confidential
☐ Unclassified

Subject (Text begins next page):

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Vietnam Soldier's Organization

MAIL ROOM ☐

TELETYPE UNIT ☒

51 JUN 24 1975

b7c

a

200
 101 ASIA
 5 JUN 10 1975

Foreign Liaison Unit
☐ Route through for review
☐ Cleared telephonically
 with _____

5-cul

NR 934 BY 003ED

H:01PM NITEL JUNE 6, 1975 ESC

TO DIRECTOR (100-443292)

FROM BUFFALO (100-21623) (P)

ATTN INTD

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR /

WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

IS VVAV 7/7/75

ON JUNE 5, 1975, PREVIOUSLY RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION WILL DEMONSTRATE JUNE 7, 1975, AT 12:00 NOON AT KENSINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, 319 SUFFOLK STREET, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AND MARCH TO NATIONAL GUARD PARTY (NGP) HEADQUARTERS, 2213 BAILEY AVENUE, BUFFALO, NEW YORK. DEMONSTRATE IN SUPPORT OF NEGRO FAMILY BEING HARASSED BY NGP MEMBERS.

VVAV FORMED AS ORGANIZATION OF VIET NAM VETERANS PROTESTING AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. SINCE THEN, VVAV LEADERS TOLD MEMBERS VVAV IS REVOLUTIONARY GROUP NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS." APRIL, 1973

~~CLASSIFIED BY 8466. XGDS 2. INDEFINITE.~~

1720

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

b7c

PAGE TWO BU 100-21523 ~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~

GROUP CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/WSO SO NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LEWINIST ORIENTED.

NGP IS DEDICATED TO PRESERVATION OF WHITE RACE.

NGP ADVOCATES REPATRIATION FOR NON-WHITES, MARRIAGE LAWS, DECLARATION OF WAR ON RACEMIXING, COMMUNIST AND ZIONIST TREASON, LIBERAL IGNORANCE, BIGOTRY AND DEGENERACY.

ADMINISTRATIVE

~~SOURCE IS~~ [REDACTED]

~~SECRET SERVICE, D.Y. STATE POLICE AND BUFFALO POLICE~~

~~ADVISED JUNE 6, 1975.~~

~~BUFFALO COVERING AND WILL ADVISE.~~

END.

b2
b7D

FBI

Date: June 5, 1975

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plaintext or code)Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

RECEIVED
JUN 5 1975
J. S. 45

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)
 FROM SAC, [REDACTED] (P)
 SUBJECT VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
 WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
 IS

Re [REDACTED] nitel to Bureau, dated 5/28/75.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five (5)
 copies and for each recipient Office two (2) copies of
 an LHM reflecting a Regional Conference of the VVAW/WSO
 held in Detroit, Michigan, on 5/31 - 6/1/75.

As is apparent from the LHM, this VVAW/WSO
 region is in a state of extreme rupture.

The confidential source utilized in the LHM
 is [REDACTED]

The LHM is classified "Confidential" to
 protect [REDACTED]

- 105
 REC-23 100-448092-4281
 (2)-Bureau (Encs. 2)
 2-Chicago (100-50772) (Encs. 2)
 2-Cleveland (100-31431) (Encs. 2)
 2-Pittsburgh (Encs. 2)
 2-Louisville (Encs. 2)
 2-Detroit (Encs. 2)
 2-[REDACTED] (Encs. 2)
 7-

JUN 9 1975

(1) [REDACTED] (VVAW/WSO,
 (1) [REDACTED] (VVAW/WSO,
 (1) [REDACTED] (VVAW/WSO,
 (1) [REDACTED] (VVAW/WSO,
 (1) [REDACTED] (VVAW/WSO,
 (1) [REDACTED] (VVAW/WSO,

JMC:cjb

Approved: [REDACTED]

Special Agent in Charge

Sent

M

Per



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

June 5, 1975

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

A confidential source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on June 3, 1975, that a meeting of the Michigan-Ohio-Northern Kentucky-West Virginia-Western Pennsylvania Region of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) (See Appendix) was held in Detroit, Michigan, on May 31, 1975. The meeting was held in office type space in the office of the "Peoples Voice". Source understands the "Peoples Voice" to be an anti-establishment publication. The only [redacted] participated at this regional meeting was [redacted]. There were [redacted]

[redacted] several of whom were [redacted] out of the 2-day meeting at intervals. The two leading figures at the meeting were [redacted] (last name unknown) who is a self-described member of the Revolutionary Union (RU) (See Appendix). [redacted] is believed to be a person who immigrated from France several years ago. Also playing a leading role was one [redacted] (last name unknown) who is believed to be a leader of the VVAW/WSO in Detroit. The 2-day session concerned itself almost exclusively with the fact that the region has lost most of its active chapters which have disaffiliated themselves because of a disagreement with the National Office of the VVAW/WSO in its posture of subservience to the RU. The [redacted] chapters affirmed their allegiance to the [redacted] National Office of the VVAW/WSO. It was noted that

Classified by 2066
Exempt from GDS,
Category 2
Date of Declassification
Indefinite

Source, whose identity is concealed herein, has furnished reliable information in the past except where otherwise noted.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

4281

RE: VVAW/WSO

CONFIDENTIAL

several of the cities within the region, while they do not have active chapters, have "contact people" whom the region is hopeful of using to bring the various chapters back into the organization. Specifically mentioned in that regard were the cities of Cleveland, Ohio; Akron, Ohio; Columbus, Ohio; and St. Louis, Missouri. It was noted that the Detroit chapter has recently sponsored demonstrations, but appeared to the source that the activities of the Detroit chapter is somewhat submerged because of continuing disputes with organizations such as the October League (OL) (See Appendix) and the Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) (See Appendix).

It was stated at the above meeting that the next National Steering Committee meeting of the VVAW/WSO will be held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, for a 5-day period commencing July 3, 1975.

CONFIDENTIAL

A P P E N D I X

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U. S. Involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant Revolutionary Union (RU) organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings (NSCM), in 1974 portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass anti-imperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses.

VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the 12/74 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designated to bring about violent revolution in the U.S.

APPENDIX

REVOLUTIONARY UNION

The Revolutionary Union (RU), founded in early 1968 in the San Francisco Bay area, is a militant semi-covert Marxist-Leninist revolutionary organization ideologically oriented towards the People's Republic of China and the teachings of Chairman MAO Tse-tung. Its objectives as set forth in its theoretical publication, "The Red Papers," and in its monthly newspaper, "Revolution," are the development of a united front against imperialism, the fostering of revolutionary working class unity and leadership in struggle, and the formation of a communist party based on Marxism-Leninism-MAO Tse-tung thought, leading to the overthrow of the United States Government by force and violence. Members of the RU have been identified as collecting weapons while engaging in firearms and guerrilla warfare training. As of July, 1974, RU national headquarters was located in Maywood, Illinois.

A P P E N D I X

OCTOBER LEAGUE

The October League (OL) was founded in 1969 in Los Angeles, California, and in May, 1972, merged with the Georgia Communist League, a small Marxist-Leninist organization, having the same goals as the OL. The OL's published "Statement of Political Unity of the Georgia Communist League (M-L) and the October League (M-L)" dated May, 1972, states the union of the two organizations was effected to construct "a new communist party in the United States based on the guiding principles of the revolutionary theory of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought." The statement also continues "---the only way that Socialism can be established in the U.S. is through military insurrection, the smashing of the bourgeois state by the armed force of the masses and its replacement by a new proletarian state based on an army of the workers. This is a universal principal of Marxims-Leninism."

The October League maintains its National Headquarters in Los Angeles and currently has chapters located in 13 cities in the United States. Various OL leaders have been known to visit the People's Republic of China.

A P P E N D I X

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

The Young Socialist Alliance (YSA) is the youth group of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP). It was formed in October, 1957, and is currently headquartered in New York City. It propagandizes the beliefs of the SWP among the youth and is the main source of recruitment into the SWP. The SWP is a revolutionary, Trotskyist-communist organization which has as its purpose the overthrow of the U.S. Government and the institution of a dictatorship of the working class and the eventual achievement of a communist society.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. A.D. Adm. _____
Dep. A.D. Inv. _____
Asst. Dir. _____
Admin. _____
Comm. Serv. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Intell. _____
Lab. _____
Legal Coun. _____
Plan. & Insp. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director's Sec'y _____

NR004 ON PLAIN

229PM NITEL JUNE 11, 1975 LAW

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)
CHICAGO (100-50772)
CINCINNATI (100-19743)
CLEVELAND (100-31431)
SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102)
ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

FROM OENVER (100-10467) (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE). IS. 00:
CHICAGO.

A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN
THE PAST, CONFIRMS THAT AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS OF VIETNAM
VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 27, 1975,
AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

CLASSIFIED BY 452, XGOS, CATEGORY 2, DECLASSIFIED
INDEFINITE.

ADMINISTRATIVE: SOURCE IS [REDACTED] RE SAN
FRANCISCO TEL TO BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, JUNE 5, 1975. 14 JUN 12 1975
E N O

PLEASE HOLD

TOW FBIHQ ACK FOR TWO

0-73 sent to USSS;
AAG, CD-ICS
6/11/75 1000:10

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES

AND FIELD OFFICES

ADVISED BY SLIP(S)

DATE 1/21/78

DECLASSIFICATION

DATE 1/21/78

DECLASSIFICATION

DATE 1/21/78

DECLASSIFICATION

DATE 1/21/78

DECLASSIFICATION

DATE 1/21/78

DECLASSIFICATION

DECLASSIFIED BY
ON

b7c

REC-40

62 67D

100-448092-4282

5-cm

51 JUN 24 1975 RC

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office BUTTE	Office of Origin BUTTE	Date 6/11/75	Investigative Period 9/17/74 - 5/19/75
Title of Case THE COVERED WAGON (TCW) (GI COFFEE HOUSE)		Report made by [REDACTED] Jr.	Typed By: db
		Character of Case IS - REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES	

SUMMARY

DECLASSIFIED BY *[Signature]*
ON **7-5-95****b7C**REFERENCE

Report of SA **[REDACTED] Jr., Butte,**
 9/5/74;
 WFO letter to Bureau, 9/30/74;
 Butte nitel to Bureau, 11/6/74;
 Chicago nitel to Bureau, 11/7/74;
 Butte nitel to Bureau, 1/7/75.

- P -

ADMINISTRATIVE

This report is classified ~~confidential~~ as unauthorized disclosure could reasonably be expected to damage security by compromising **[REDACTED]** and other Informants who have furnished valuable information on a continuing basis relative to the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Veteran Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) and The Covered Wagon (TCW).

**b2
b7D**

Approved Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below	
Copies made: (6) - Bureau (Reg.) (5 - 100-466543) (1 - 100-448092-VVAW/WSO) 1 - OSI, District 20, McChord AFB, Washington 1 - Chicago (100-50772-VVAW/WSO) 3 - Butte (100-9224) (1 - 100-9147)	100-448092+	
	NOT RECORDED 145 JUN 17 1975	

Notations:

Classified by 142
 Exempt from GDS Category 1 & 2
 Date of Declassification Indefinite

CONFIDENTIAL

5-11-26 1975

- A -
COVER PAGE

ORIGINAL FILED IN 100-446543-29

BT #100-9224

INFORMANTS

Identity of Source

Location

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

100-9224 - numerous serials
100-9147 - numerous serials

[REDACTED] is Passport Office,
Department of State

100-9224 - 237

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]

100-9224 - 291, 292

[REDACTED] is [REDACTED]
Intelligence
Division, Chicago, Illinois,
Police Department

100-9224 - 292

[REDACTED] is OSI, Mountain Home
Air Force Base, Mountain
Home, Idaho

100-9224 - 293

LEADS

BUTTE DIVISION

AT MOUNTAIN HOME, IDAHO

Will continue to follow and report activities of
TCW.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to:

1 - OSI, District 20, McChord AFB, Washington

Report of:

Date:

7/11/75

b7c

Office:

BUTTE

Field Office File #: 100-9224

Bureau File #: 100-466543

Title:

THE COVERED WAGON (TCW)
(GI COFFEE HOUSE)

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY -- REVOLUTIONARY ACTIVITIES

Synopsis:

In 9/74 [redacted] started chapter of VVAW/WSO at Mountain Home, Idaho, in connection with the Covered Wagon. U. S. Government records show passport issued to [redacted] 2/7/72. No record of passport issued to [redacted] 10/74, [redacted] and other members from the Covered Wagon participated in a National GI Conference sponsored by the VVAW/WSO at Chicago, Illinois. 11/1/74, 25th issue of "The Helping Hand," a GI underground newspaper published by The Covered Wagon, was distributed at Mountain Home AFB. On 11/5/74, persons from Salt Lake City, Utah, chapter of VVAW/WSO met at The Covered Wagon for discussion with [redacted] and others. [redacted] and [redacted] from the Covered Wagon attended VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee meeting in St. Louis, Missouri, 12/26-31/74. On 1/6/75, [redacted] and [redacted] left Mountain Home to join Organizational Committee for the Fifth Estate (OCFE) in Massachusetts. In recent months The Covered Wagon has been almost completely without leadership and as of 5/19/75, no demonstrations or other activities have been planned.

b7c

b7D

- P -

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 BJA/VA
7-5-95

Classified by 142
Exempt from GDS Category 1 & 2
Date of Declassification Indefinite

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BT #100-9224

DETAILS:

This investigation is based on information which indicates that captioned organization is closely aligned with the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), and is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, Section 2383 (rebellion or insurrection), Section 2384 (seditious conspiracy), Section 2385 (advocating overthrow of the Government), Section 2387 (sedition), and Section 793 (espionage), U. S. Code.

The VVAW/WSO was formed in 1967 as an organization of Vietnam Veterans to protest American involvement in the war in Southeast Asia. Since that time, the VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that the VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary group, not "just another group of war veterans." Also, the membership has been told the VVAW/WSO has been asked to cooperate on an international level with many organizations, including Communists and Maoists groups. Additionally, it was indicated that "anti-imperialist groups" consider the VVAW/WSO a potent group of similar stature in the United States.

In April, 1973, the group changed their name to the VVAW/WSO so that non-veterans could become members. Current VVAW/WSO national officers are Marxist-Leninists oriented and strive to educate their membership in Marxist-Leninists doctrines.

VVAW/WSO is currently headquartered in Chicago, Illinois.

The Covered Wagon (TCW) is a GI Coffee House founded in 1971 by MARK LANE, a noted anti-war activist and has been the focal point of all anti-war, anti-Government demonstrations in the Boise and Mountain Home, Idaho, areas. Members of The Covered Wagon have been aligned with the national VVAW/WSO movement and some members have assumed leadership roles in that organization. Recently, members of TCW have been purchasing copies of "The Anarchist Cook Book," a book giving detailed directions on making explosive devices and weapons as well as directions on how to plant explosives for maximum effectiveness.

Source advised that [REDACTED] has started a chapter of the VVAW/WSO in Mountain Home, Idaho, in connection with TCW. Source stated that persons at TCW are again joining the VVAW/WSO and their present membership is approximately 15.

September 17, 1974

On September 20, 1974, Private First Class [REDACTED] reviewed U. S. Government records which [REDACTED] the following information:

[REDACTED] MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION was issued passport [REDACTED] on February 8, 1972, at Seattle, Washington, by application dated February 7, 1972, at Boise, Idaho. This passport is valid for five years travel to all countries except Cuba, North Korea, and North Vietnam. In his application, [REDACTED] stated that he was born [REDACTED] at Buffalo, New York, and gave his permanent mailing address as P. O. Box 729, Mountain Home, Idaho, 83647, telephone number 208-587-9950. (It is noted that this is the address and telephone number for TCW.) At the time of the application, [REDACTED] gave his Social Security Account Number as [REDACTED]

It is pointed out that under current Government regulations a passport may be used by the bearer for lawful travel within a period of its validity whenever and as often as desired without further notification to the Department of State or other Government agencies.

On the same date, [REDACTED] caused a search to be made of Government records relative to [REDACTED]. No record could be found indicating that [REDACTED] ever applied for a passport.

Source advised that [REDACTED] of TCW, is presently employed and attending Boise State College, but [REDACTED] Mountain Home, Idaho, Boise State College [REDACTED]

Source advised that [REDACTED] diligently to have TCW meeting [REDACTED] fire in November, 1973, rebuilt prior to the winter. Source further advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] TCW, are trying to reform a VVAW/VSO chapter at TCW under the leadership of this group. Source further stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] persons buying copies of "The Marxist-Leninist Book" and [REDACTED] persons buying this book could be prone to violence.

October 7, 1974

BT #100-9224

MEMBER OF SOCIETY OF AMERICANS

Source advised that [redacted] regional coordinator for the VVAW/WSO for the Idaho - Montana Region, recently received a letter from [redacted] at the National VVAW/WSO organization headquarters in Chicago, Illinois. In this letter [redacted] made reference to the fact that she had received a couple of letters from [redacted] in Mountain Home, Idaho, and that he was interested in getting a VVAW/WSO chapter going again in Idaho.

Source further advised that [redacted] has been working with [redacted] in attempting to form a VVAW/WSO Chapter at Mountain Home in connection with TCW and that both have been working with [redacted] who still leads The Covered Wagon in attempting to re-build TCW and up the membership once more.

October 15, 1974

Sources advised that a National GI Conference (NGIC) sponsored by the VVAW/WSO was held at the YMCA, 826 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, during the period of October 11, through October 14, 1974. The following were listed as participants in that conference:

The Covered Wagon,
P. O. Box 729,
Mountain Home, Idaho, 83647
(208) 875- [redacted]

October 23, 1974

November 1, 1974

Source advised that the VVAW/WSO initiated the NGIC in the interest of beginning an effort to build a fighting anti-imperialist movement in the United States military.

BT #100-9224

[REDACTED]
November 1, 1974

Source advised that the following persons were personally observed at the conference of the NGIC:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The above are all from TCW, Mountain Home.

[REDACTED]
October 23, 1974

Sources advised that the NGIC was not open to the public and that the various groups were asked to attend by invitation only. They stated the purpose of the NGIC was to consolidate efforts of similar thinking organizations in order to develop a program that all GI-type organizations could relate to.

The VVAW/WSO proposed that the NGIC adopt a unified program proposal for GI work around a minimum goal Armed Forces Day, 1975. Armed Forces Day was referred to as being "one of the few times of the year when widespread efforts were made to mobilize GIs toward certain very basic or general goals." The proposal included a plan that local and regional actions/demonstrations could take place at or near U. S. Military installations around the work on Armed Forces Day, May 16, 1975.

[REDACTED]
October 23, 1974

[REDACTED]
November 1, 1974

Source advised that on November 1, 1974, copies of "The Helping Hand," a GI underground newspaper published by TCW were found at various locations on Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. This was the 25th issue of the newspaper, listed as Volume 4, Number 1. The paper appeared to be professionally printed and consisted of 12 pages, 11½" by 14½". This edition

b2
b7D
b7C

BT #100-9224

was markedly shorter than previous issues which was 20 pages in length on May 23, 1974.

[REDACTED]
November 1, 1974

b2
b7D
b7C
Source advised on November 2, 1974, a group of approximately 25 persons calling themselves the Salt Lake Chapter of the VVAW/WSO were at TCW for discussions with [REDACTED] and others.

[REDACTED]
November 5, 1974

Source advised that [REDACTED] who attended the NGIC in October, 1974, in Chicago, Illinois, is a recently discharged WAF from Mountain Home Air Force Base who is presently residing at TCW.

[REDACTED]
December 4, 1974

Source advised that [REDACTED] from TCW [REDACTED] St. Louis, Missouri for the National VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee meeting on December 26 - 31, 1974.

Source further stated that [REDACTED] name appeared on the mailing list for the VVAW/WSO chapter in September, 1974, and that this caused some dissention at TCW so that the mailing list has been changed and now reads VVAW/WSO, in care of TCW, Mountain Home, Idaho.

Source advised that [REDACTED] is also working with [REDACTED] in construction of a new meeting [REDACTED] TCW which was burned down in November, 1973. They are prefabricating portions of walls for the building and are going to use a foundation of wood logs sunk into the ground.

Source further advised that he has heard no more information about the VVAW/WSO chapter members from Salt Lake City, Utah, who came to TCW in November, 1974, for a meeting with TCW members.

[REDACTED]
December 23, 1974

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

1. The first step in the process is to identify the problem or issue that needs to be addressed. This involves gathering information and understanding the context of the problem.



Source believed that [REDACTED] will be somewhere in the [REDACTED] Boston, Massachusetts, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b2
b7D
b7C

_____nd _____

[REDACTED]

b2
b7c
b7D

Source advised that [redacted] and that [redacted] that he was no longer any interest in the firm and was presently disenchanted with TCW. Source advised that [redacted] criticized [redacted] and [redacted] repeatedly. Source advised that [redacted] "Anarchy is cool." [redacted] However, it seemed to him that [redacted] it is about his position in the TCW at the time.

Source advised that [redacted] is considered by many persons of TCW to be "stupid" and that [redacted] and [redacted] are still at odds with the other members of TCW. Source further advised that [redacted] has been talking about moving to Seattle, Washington; however, he has made no definite plans.

Source advised TCW suggests that as little more than a property investment of [REDACTED] as very few people use the building and that the only time he has been able to contact any persons at TCW have been [REDACTED]

APR 11 28, 1975

Source advised that [redacted] and persons there advised [redacted] some possibility of a return to [redacted] or possibly [redacted]. Source stated he could not determine the source of these [redacted].

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BT #100-9224

rumors and that the persons who gave him this information were not normally in a position to get such information in advance.


May 19, 1975

b2

b7D

- 9* -

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6-17-75

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (100-33120) P

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, HELD
AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND
5-17-75
IS - VVAW/WSO
OO: Baltimore

Re WFO nitel, 5-13-75; Baltimore nitels, 5-15-75,
and 5-17-75; and New York nitel, 5-15-75, all concerning
the captioned demonstration.

On 5-17-75, the captioned demonstration was held
at Fort Meade, Maryland, between 12:00 p.m. and 2:15 p.m.,
which was observed by Special Agents [redacted] and
[redacted]. The group representing the Vietnam Veterans
Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) chanted
slogans and carried plaques regarding anti-U. S. intervention
in Indochina, as well as complaints against the military
handling of personnel. Approximately 75 to 100 individuals
took part in this demonstration, which assembled in front of
Fort Meade across from the military post. At approximately
2:00 p.m., the group marched to the entrance of Fort Meade;
however, their entrance was blocked by the Military Police and
no demonstrators made any attempt to enter the post. No
incidents or arrests were noted and the group disbanded at
2:15 p.m.

The following out of state license tags were noted
in the area:

Pennsylvania: UF 9607
UF 9608
79C605

JUN 19 1975

- ② - Bureau
- 2 - Albany
- 1 - Chicago (INFO)
- 1 - New York (INFO)
- 2 - Philadelphia
- 2 - Richmond
- 2 - Springfield
- 2 - WFO (100-59344)
- 2 - Baltimore

PMG:bjw

(167) JUL 2 1975 Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



BA 100-33120

Virginia: GJD 401
DCT 324

Illinois: BN 5204

New York: 97 MNX

Washington, D. C.: 318-876

b2
b7D
b7C

For the information of the Chicago and New York offices, [redacted] advised [redacted] and [redacted] in attendance at this demonstration from the [redacted] office at Chicago. It was further noted that a group of demonstrators carried a banner reflecting the name "VVAW/WSO New York City." The identities of individuals from the New York Division were not readily known.

LEADS:

ALBANY, PHILADELPHIA, RICHMOND, SPRINGFIELD, WFO

The designated offices are requested to determine the registration information concerning the above-listed license numbers for individuals residing in their respective states and furnish results to Baltimore.

CHICAGO AND NEW YORK (INFORMATION)

This communication is being furnished to Chicago and New York for information purposes.

The Baltimore Division will determine the registration information concerning vehicles bearing Maryland license tags observed at this demonstration.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

CONFIDENTIAL

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 6/17/75

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-53565) (P)

DECLASSIFIED ON 7/5/95 S06/95

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
INTERNAL SECURITY
(OO:CG)

Re: Newark letter and LHM dated 12/18/74.

Enclosed herewith for the Bureau are five copies of an LHM. Enclosed also are two copies of LHM for Chicago.

The enclosed LHM is classified "confidential" to protect the identities of the four sources.

SC [REDACTED] is the employee of the FBI who caused the Corporate Records, Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey, to be reviewed on 6/4/75.

The following is a listing of the individuals mentioned in this report who are not listed in the ADEX nor are they informants or sources:

Name	Status of Investigation	Furnished Bureau for indexing
[REDACTED]	Pending	Yes
[REDACTED]	Closed	Yes
[REDACTED]	Pending	Yes

MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

SI 104 REC-28 4284

Above individuals are characterized in LHM.

CONFIDENTIAL
CLASSIFIED BY 1653
EXEMPT FROM GDS, CATEGORY 2
DECLASSIFIED INDEFINITE

JUN 19 1975

2-Bureau (Enc. 5)
2-Chicago (100-50772) (Enc. 2)
2-Newark
JHB/cap
(6)



5010-110

51 JUL 23 1975

cc destroyed
cc 444092
cc 444092
cc 444092
cc 444092
6/25/75
CML/mcg

DOCS OFFICE

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NK 100-53565

INFORMANTS

<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Location</u>
Source one is [REDACTED]	NK 100-53565-391, [REDACTED]
Source two is [REDACTED]	NK 100-53565-391 [REDACTED]
Source three is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Source four is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

LEAD

NEWARK

AT JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY: Will follow and report activities of VVAW/WSO.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Newark, New Jersey
June 17, 1975

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
INTERNAL SECURITY

This investigation is based on information which indicates that the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) (see appendix) is engaged in activities which could involve violations of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2383 (Rebellion or Insurrection), 2384 (Seditious Conspiracy), 2385 (Advocating Overthrow of the Government), 2387 (Sedition), and 793 (Espionage).

I. ORGANIZATION

A. INCORPORATION

On June 4, 1975, an employee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) caused the Corporate Records, Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey, to be reviewed to determine if the VVAW/WSO had become incorporated in the State of New Jersey,

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

6/5/95 586A8VA
CLASSIFIED BY 1653
SUBJECT TO GENERAL DECLASSIFICATION
SCHEDULE OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 11652
AUTOMATICALLY DOWNGRADED AT TWO
YEAR INTERVALS AND DECLASSIFIED ON DEC. 31.....

This document contains neither
recommendations nor conclusions of
the FBI. It is the property of
the FBI and is loaned to your agency;
it and its contents are not to be
distributed outside your agency

Sources whose identities are
concealed herein have furnished
reliable information in the past
except where otherwise noted.

100-116012-4284

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

with negative results.

B. LOCATION

Source one advised on January 14, 1975, that the VVAW/WSO in New Jersey, has no known headquarters in New Jersey; however, the residence of [REDACTED] Avenue, top floor, Jersey City, New Jersey, is used for the group's meetings.

Source one advised on January 14, 1975, that [REDACTED] is a leader of the VVAW/WSO in New Jersey.

II. AIMS AND PURPOSES

On May 2, 1975, a second source advised that the VVAW/WSO group in New Jersey, has not rejected Marxism-Leninism and definitely supports the VVAW/WSO national office which is Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented.

III. MEMBERSHIP

On May 2, 1975, a second source advised that the VVAW/WSO which meets in Jersey City, New Jersey, has no official membership.

IV. ACTIVITIES

On June 26, 1974, a third source advised that VVAW/WSO met at the Jersey City State College, Jersey City, New Jersey, on June 22, 1974, to announce to a group of approximately 37 persons the future plans of the VVAW/WSO, which will conclude demonstrations at the Veterans Administration, Newark, New Jersey.

On July 8, 1974, a fourth source advised that two buses from Newark, New Jersey, with about 90-100 passengers, departed on July 4, 1974, to attend the VVAW/WSO demonstration at Washington, D.C.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

On August 20, 1974, source one advised that a small group of VVAW/WSO members passed out leaflets at Shea Stadium in New York City, New York, on August 19, 1974.

On August 19, 1974, source four advised that [REDACTED] were arrested at the August 19, 1974, VVAW/WSO demonstration at Shea Stadium, New York City, New York.

Source two advised on November 6, 1974, that [REDACTED] held a VVAW/WSO party at his residence during November, 1974.

On November 6, 1974, source two advised that a VVAW/WSO party was held in New York City, New York, on November 2, 1974. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] from the VVAW/WSO in New Jersey, were present.

On November 6, 1974, source two advised that [REDACTED] is a member of the VVAW/WSO, and he is also a friend of [REDACTED]

On February 19, 1975, source two advised that there was a rally in Newark, New Jersey, on February 15, 1975, sponsored by a coalition of various organizations including the VVAW/WSO.

Approximately 150-200 persons attended the above rally, according to source two, which was billed as "Auto Workers March", to fight layoffs of auto workers.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CONFIDENTIAL

APPENDIX

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO National Steering Committee Meetings (NSCM), in 1974, portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass anti-imperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses.

VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the December, 1974 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the U.S.

CONFIDENTIAL

APPENDIX

FBI

Date: JUN 13 1975

Transmit the following in _____

(Type in plaintext or code)

AIRTEL

AIRMAIL

Via _____

(Priority)

ON

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM: SAC, TAMPA (100-2514) (P)

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE);
IS
(OO:CG)

Re SL nitel to the Bureau 6-10-75.

This communication is classified Confidential to
protect a sensitive Tampa source.

2 - Bureau (Enc. 2)
2 - Baltimore (100-27909) (Enc. 2)
2 - Buffalo (100-21623) (Enc. 2)
2 - Charlotte (100-11256) (Enc. 2)
2 - Cincinnati (100-19743) (Enc. 2)
2 - Denver (100-10467) (Enc. 2)
2 - Kansas City (100-15886) (Enc. 2)
2 - Miami (100-16340) (Enc. 2)
2 - Newark (100-53565) (Enc. 2)
2 - Philadelphia (100-52640) (Enc. 2)
2 - San Francisco (100-70102) (Enc. 2)
2 - St. Louis (100-21603) (Enc. 2)
2 - Seattle (100-31285) (Enc. 2)
2 - Washington Field (100-47162) (Enc. 2)
2 - Tampa
MSE:mab
(50)

2-Albany (100-22519) (Enc. 2)
2-Boston (100-42739) (Enc. 2)
2-Butte (100-9147) (Enc. 2)
2-Chicago (100-50772) (Enc. 2)
2-Cleveland (100-31431) (Enc. 2)
2-Jacksonville (100-1745) (Enc. 2)
2-Los Angeles (100-77703) (Enc. 2)
2-Milwaukee (100-15674) (Enc. 2)
2-New York (100-160644) (Enc. 2)
2-Portland (100-12313) (Enc. 2)

REC-19 (Enc. 2) 44717-4285
JUN 16 1975

Classified by 6959
Exempt from GDS Category 2
Date of Declassification: Indefinite

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

57 JUN 26 1975

Sent _____ M Per _____

Special Agent in Charge

TP 100-2514

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Enclosed for each recipient are two copies of a notice issued by the VVAW/WSO in the Northern California Sub-Regional Office, 910 Steiner St., San Francisco, Calif., which contains the proposed agenda for the upcoming VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Caucus scheduled for St. Louis, Missouri 6/27-30/75.

The attached enclosure was furnished by [REDACTED] who received the enclosure from [REDACTED] a member of the VVAW/WSO [REDACTED] [REDACTED] the attached enclosure available to the [REDACTED] Div. on 6-11-75.

b2
b7D
b7C

This enclosure is furnished for the information of all recipients.

-2-

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~



VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SUB-REGIONAL OFFICE 910 STEINER STREET SAN FRANCISCO 94117
(415) 922-5940

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/5/95 BY SP1/ewp

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

The Anti-Imperialist Caucus of VVAW/WSO will be holding a national meeting June 27, 1975 thru June 30, 1975 in St. Louis, Missouri. All chapters (those still in VVAW/WSO and those who have left or been expelled) who are opposed to the political line of the National Program of VVAW/WSO and the destructive effect of the Revolutionary Union on the mass democratic character of VVAW/WSO are invited.

We are proposing the following areas of discussion for the agenda. This is a sum-up of recent practice within VVAW/WSO and will focus on these events in order to learn from our mistakes.

PROPOSED AGENDA

1. Local and national sum-ups -- These should be in the form of written round robin reports (daily work and internal struggle).
2. National sum-up of the practice of the RU in VVAW/WSO -- The areas of discussion will be: a) loss of membership (individual, chapters, regions), b) the effect on relations with other organizations.
3. What we do now -- Areas of discussion: a) what is the basis of our political unity, b) what organizational form should that unity take, and c) our current relationship to VVAW/WSO.
4. Discussion of strategy and tactics for the national development and consolidation of our politics. Some ideas: regional conferences, national travelers, national mass meetings.
5. Discussion of an outline for a new organizational program.

The St. Louis chapter is not able to handle a large number of delegates at this time. We would like to limit the number of delegates to three per chapter. All chapters should reply in writing to the St. Louis chapter by June 15 about the number of delegates you will be sending.

Other organizations may also be invited to attend. The clearance for these people will be done thru the California VVAW/WSO. Send all requests of this type to the Northern California Sub-Regional Office, 910 Steiner Street, San Francisco, Ca. 94115. All non-organizational attendance must be cleared prior to the meeting. The requests should be explicit about the organization being invited and why the local chapter feels we would benefit by their attendance.

The coordination will continue from California with the logistics being handled by St. Louis. All chapters should contact St. Louis as soon as a decision to attend has been made by your chapter. The fee for this meeting will be Ten Dollars (\$10.00), payable to the St. Louis chapter in advance or at the meeting.

A Luta Continua,

California VVAW/WSO

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

b7c

CODE

TELETYPE

NITEL

TO: SACS, [REDACTED]

6/17/75

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

CONFIDENTIAL

ST 104

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
INTERNAL SECURITY

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 [REDACTED] 11/5/95

b7c

RE [REDACTED] TEL 6/10/75 UNDER CAPTION OF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] TEL,
6/1/75 UNDER VVAW/WSO CAPTION.

AUTHORITY GRANTED [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] AND

[REDACTED] RESPECTIVELY, TO TRAVEL TO ST. LOUIS TO AFFORD
COVERAGE OF VVAW/WSO ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS (ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY
UNION (RU) FORCES), 6/27-30/75. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]
AUTHORIZED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] UP TO \$107 AND
UP TO \$275, RESPECTIVELY, FOR EXPENSES CONNECTED THEREWITH.
ABOVE OFFICES SHOULD INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES IS
MADE. EACH SOURCE SHOULD BE PROMPTLY DEBRIEFED FOLLOWING
RETURN TO TERRITORY OF HANDLING OFFICE AND PERTINENT RESULTS
FURNISHED ST. LOUIS FOR INCLUSION IN OVERALL LHM.

b2 b7D

4-6
4- CHICAGO (100-50772) (AIRMAIL)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. AD Adm. _____
Dep. AD Inv. _____
Asst. Dir.: _____
Admin. _____
Comp. Sys. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Inspection _____
Intell. _____
Laboratory _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Legal Coun. _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

CNL:bmf
(9)

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

FLC
TSM/aml
all

TELETYPE UNIT ☒

GPO 514-145

PAGE TWO 100-448092 CONFIDENTIAL

ST. LOUIS, ADVISE ABOVE OFFICES OF MEANS BY WHICH ABOVE SOURCES CAN CONTACT ST. LOUIS HANDLING AGENT IN EVENT NECESSARY. CONTACT SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH INFORMANT SECURITY.

AIRMAIL COPY TO CHICAGO.

CLASSIFIED BY 7225, EGDS 2, INDEFINITE.

NOTE:

See memorandum [redacted] to Mr. W. R. Wannall, dated 6/13/75, captioned as above, which approved attendance of up to [redacted] sources at VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Caucus, St. Louis, Missouri, 6/27-30/75, and expenditure of up to \$1,000 of additional expenses related thereto.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] anticipates invitation [redacted] VVAW/WSO [redacted] Source [redacted]

[redacted] would adversely affect his informant status. Expenses are broken down as follows: Mileage [redacted] mile, \$40; three night's lodging at \$10 per night, \$30; nine meals at \$3 per meal, \$27; \$10 miscellaneous, for a total of \$107. Informant is currently authorized payments of up to \$200 per month for services and up to \$25 per month for expenses.

[redacted] has advised that [redacted] has been requested [redacted] of above caucus to attend, and nonattendance [redacted] would adversely affect his informant status. Expenses are as follows: [redacted] to St. Louis, [redacted] living expenses for four days or \$27.50 per day for lodging, meals and miscellaneous expenses, for a total of \$275. Source is currently paid under SAC authority.

Above two sources are the first and second sources authorized to attend above caucus, and a total expenditure of \$382 has been authorized.

5:25PM NITEL JUNE 11, 1975 JFD

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)
CINCINNATI (100-19743)
SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102)

CHICAGO (100-50772)
ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

FROM [REDACTED] (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE
MEETING (NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY 1975
(TENTATIVE); IS. 00: CHICAGO.

A SOURCE ADVISED THE TENTATIVELY PLANNED 15TH NSCM SCHEDULED FOR COLUMBUS, OHIO IN JULY, 1975, WOULD DEPEND UPON THE RESULTS OF THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS TO BE HELD AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 27-30, 1975. SOURCE STATED HE UNDERSTOOD THE 15TH NSCM WOULD NOT BE HELD IF THERE WAS A LARGE ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) SHOWING AT THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS. SOURCE ADVISED THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS MEETING WOULD BE ATTENDED BY A LARGE NUMBER OF VVAW/WSO MEMBERS WHO DO NOT SUPPORT THE RU LEADERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL OFFICE. SOURCE ADVISED

END PAGE ONE

REC-15

104

Asst. Dir. _____
Dep. A.D. Adm. _____
Dep. A.D. Inv. _____
Asst. Dir.: _____
Admin. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Inspection *WNT* _____
Intell. *W* _____
Laboratory _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Legal Coun. _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

REC-15

104

37 JUN 20 1975

4286

b7c

PAGE TWO

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THAT MIKE MC CANE, VVAV/WSO MEMBER FROM SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA WOULD BE ONE OF THE LEADERS OF THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS.

[REDACTED] WILLING TO ATTEND THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS AT ST. LOUIS FROM JUNE 27 TO 30, 1975.

BUREAU PERMISSION IS REQUESTED [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO ST. LOUIS AND ATTEND THE CAUCUS. SOURCE WOULD NEED APPROXIMATELY [REDACTED] WHICH WOULD INCLUDE [REDACTED] AND \$110 LIVING EXPENSES. BUREAU PERMISSION REQUESTED TO ADVANCE THESE FUNDS TO SOURCE. IF BUREAU PERMISSION GRANTED [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO ST. LOUISE, ST. LOUIS DIV. IS REQUESTED [REDACTED] OF NAME OF CONTACTING AGENT AT ST. LOUIS DIV.

ADMINISTRATIVE: RE ST. LOUIS NITEL TO BUREAU JUNE 10, 1975.

SOURCE IS [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SOURCE FURNISHED THE ABOVE INFORMATION JUNE 9, 1975 REGARDING ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS.

~~CLASSIFIED BY 6959, XGDS 2, INDEFINITE.~~

END

1
b7D
b2
1

NR 015NY CODE

NITEL 6/9/75 WXS SENT 6/13

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) AND SACS,

BUFFALO (100-21623)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ATTN: INFO

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO); FIFTEENTH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM)
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE), JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE); IS; OO:CG

ON JUNE 6, 1975, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT ST. LOUIS CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO
WILL HOST ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS, VVAW/WSO, LATTER PART OF
JUNE, 1975, PROBABLY JUNE 26-28, 1975, AT UNDISCLOSED LOCATION
IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI. THIS CAUCUS WILL BE COMPOSED OF
DISSIDENT VVAW/WSO GROUPS OPPOSED TO REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU)
LEADERSHIP OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO) AND RU INFILTRATION
OF CERTAIN VVAW/WSO CHAPTERS. PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE IS TO
FORMULATE PLANS TO COUNTER RU INFLUENCE IN ORGANIZATION.

REC 53

100-448092-4287

5 JUN 13 1975

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 11-15-96 BY 215196

54 JUN 26 1975

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. A.D. Adm. _____
Dep. A.D. Inv. _____
Asst. Dir. _____
Adm. Serv. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affs. _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Insp. _____
Intell. _____
Lab. _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Legal Coun. _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

b7c

Unrecorded Copy Filed In

PAGE TWO NY 100-160644 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

REPRESENTATIVES OF VVAW/WSO DISSIDENT GROUPS FROM NEW YORK CITY (NYC), BUFFALO, NEW YORK, ST. LOUIS, AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

NYC CHAPTER SPLIT OVER RU ORIENTAL STANCE TAKEN BY LEADERSHIP OF CHAPTER AND DISSIDENT MEMBERS HAVE BEEN MEETING.

PRAIRIE FIRE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE (PFOC) AND OTHER UNIDENTIFIED GROUPS TO SEND REPRESENTATIVES TO ST. LOUIS MEETING. //

ST. LOUIS MEETING WILL NOT REPLACE NSCM TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JULY, 1975.

VVAW/WSO FORMED IN 1967 BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT IN WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO NOW AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY RU, A MILITANT ORGANIZATION, THAT FOLLOWS STRICT MAOLIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

PFOC IS ASSOCIATED WITH WEATHER UNDERGROUND ISSUED BOOKLET ENTITLED, "PRAIRIE FIRE" INTRODUCED IN SUMMER, 1974. BOOK CALLS FOR "VIOLENT OVERTHROW OF THE BOURGEOISIE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT".

PAGE THREE NY 100-160644 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

WEATHER UNDERGROUND ALSO KNOWN AS (AKA) WEATHERMAN GROUP WAS FORMED IN JUNE, 1969, AS FACTION OF STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. IN FEBRUARY, 1970, MEMBERS OF WEATHERMAN GROUP ENTERED AN UNDERGROUND STATUS WITH AN INTENDED PROGRAM OF "STRATEGIC SABOTAGE" WITH POLICE AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AS PRIMARY TARGETS.

~~CLASSIFIED BY 7102, XGDS 2, INDEFINITE.~~

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE BUREAU AIRTEL TO ALBANY, MAY 21, 1975; AND SAN FRANCISCO NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 5, 1975.

SOURCE 1- [REDACTED] NEW YORK WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED CONCERNING ST. LOUIS MEETING AND VVAW, NSCM.

EN

WA-

HOLDPLS

b2
b7D

0004 BU CODED

11:01PM NITEL JUNE 6, 1975 ESC

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)
FROM BUFFALO (100-21623) (P)
ATTN INTD

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 08 1975
TELETYPE

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D. Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D. Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	_____
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Insp.	_____
Intell.	_____
Lab.	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director's Sec'y	_____

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/

WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

IS-VVAV/WSO

ON JUNE 5, 1975, PREVIOUSLY RELIABLE SOURCE ADVISED CAPTIONED ORGANIZATION WILL DEMONSTRATE JUNE 7, 1975, AT 12:00 NOON AT KENSINGTON HIGH SCHOOL, 319 SUFFOLK STREET, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, AND MARCH TO NATIONAL GUARD PARTY (NGP) HEADQUARTERS, 2213 BAILEY AVENUE, BUFFALO, NEW YORK. DEMONSTRATE IN SUPPORT OF NEGRO FAMILY BEING HARASSED BY NGP MEMBERS.

VVAV FORMED AS ORGANIZATION OF VIET NAM VETERANS PROTESTING AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA SINCE THEN, VVAV LEADERS TOLD MEMBERS VVAV IS REVOLUTIONARY GROUP NOT "JUST ANOTHER GROUP OF WAR VETERANS." APRIL, 1973

CLASSIFIED BY 3763. XCDS 2. INDEFINITE.

REC-28

100-448092-4288

JUN 17 1975

5/5/95

866/2/10

5-ml

0-73 510

PAC, CRL

AMG (ISS)

Sup. Sec'y

6/7/75

3 JUN 20 1975

PAGE TWO BU 100-21523 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

GROUP CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/WSO SO NON-VETERANS COULD BECOME MEMBERS. CURRENT VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICERS ARE MARXIST-LENINIST ORIENTED.

NGP IS DEDICATED TO PRESERVATION OF WHITE RACE.

NGP ADVOCATES REPATRIATION FOR NON-WHITES, MARRIAGE LAWS, DECLARATION OF WAR ON RACEMIXING, COMMUNIST AND ZIONIST TREASON, LIBERAL IGNORANCE, BIGOTRY AND DEGENERACY.

ADMINISTRATIVE

SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

SECRET SERVICE, N.Y. STATE POLICE AND BUFFALO POLICE

ADVISED JUNE 6, 1975.

BUFFALO COVERING AND WILL ADVISE.

END.

b2
b7D

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D. Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D. Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	_____
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

ROOM CODE

127 PM NITEL JUNE 19, 1975 JSG TELETYPE

TO: DIRECTOR (100-448092)

MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

FROM: [REDACTED] (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DECLASSIFIED BY 1259
ON 11/23/78

RE ST. LOUIS TELETYPE TO BUREAU, JUNE 19, 1975, CAPTIONED
VIET NAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE); IS; OO:
CHICAGO"; AND MILWAUKEE TELETYPE TO BUREAU, DATED JUNE 17, 1975,
CAPTIONED "VIET NAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
(NSCM), MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 3 -7, 1975, IS, OO: CHICAGO".

ON JUNE 19, 1975, SOURCE CONTACTED AND STATED HE HAD BEEN

IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AREA CHAPTER OF

VVAW [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

WAS ADVISED VVAW CHAPTER [REDACTED]

100-448092-4289
1595, AND

JUN 24 1975

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF [REDACTED]
DATE 1/30/91

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

5-cm

b2
b7D

PAGE TWO

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

SOURCE AGREEABLE TO ATTENDING EITHER OR BOTH CONFERENCES DESCRIBED IN RE TELETYPES BUT DUE TO EMPLOYMENT WOULD BE FORCED TO TRAVEL TO AND FROM [REDACTED] AND WOULD NOT BE ABLE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SOURCE [REDACTED] DOES NOT [REDACTED]

b7D

IF SOURCE'S ATTENDANCE DESIRED BY [REDACTED] ESTIMATE OF EXPENSES WOULD BE AS FOLLOWS: [REDACTED]

MEALS \$25; LODGING \$45; INCIDENTALS \$20; TOTAL \$240.75. MILWAUKEE CONFERENCE JULY 3 - 7, 1975, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] MEALS \$30; LODGING \$60; INCIDENTALS \$30; TOTAL \$267.47. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ARE REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER OR NOT SOURCE'S ATTENDANCE DESIRED AND IF SO TO REQUEST FBIHQ AUTHORIZATION FOR ATTENDANCE AND PAYMENT OF EXPENSES. SUTEL REQUESTED AS SOURCE STATES LITERATURE IN HIS POSSESSION CONCERNING RE CONFERENCES INDICATES REPLY REQUESTED OF ALL ATTENDEES. U

CODE

TELETYPE

TO: SACS

1 - Mr.

FROM: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 BSC/D/K
ON 8-16-13

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), INTERNAL SECURITY

RECGTEL 6/19/75, UNDER CAPTION OF VVAW/WSO ANTI-
IMPERIALIST CAUCUS, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI TEL 6/19/75, UNDER
CAPTION OF [REDACTED] AND FBIHQ TELCAL TO [REDACTED] 6/20/75.

AUTHORITY GRANTED [REDACTED] FOR [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO
ST. LOUIS TO AFFORD COVERAGE OF VVAW/WSO ANTI-IMPERIALIST
CAUCUS (ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) FORCES), 6/27-30/75.
[REDACTED] IS AUTHORIZED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] UP TO \$136.60
FOR EXPENSES CONNECTED THEREWITH.

AUTHORITY GRANTED [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO
MILWAUKEE TO AFFORD COVERAGE OF 15TH VVAW/WSO NATIONAL
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM), 7/3-5/75. [REDACTED]

1 - SAN FRANCISCO (AIRMAIL)
1 - TAMPA (AIRMAIL)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 25 1975
705 P/PLD
TELETYPE

CNL:bmf
(12)

SEE NOTE PAGE TWO

ROUTE IN ENVELOPE

MAIL ROOM ☐

TELETYPE UNIT ☒

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. AD Adm. _____
Dep. AD Inv. _____
Asst. Dir. _____
Admin. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Inspection _____
Intell. _____
Laboratory _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Legal Coun. _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

54 JUN 26 1975

ALS
EG
TSM/um

um
HCC

PAGE TWO 100-448092 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

AUTHORIZED TO ADVANCE [REDACTED] UP TO \$287.47 FOR EXPENSES
RELATED THERETO. THIS CONFIRMS FBIHQ TELEPHONE CALL [REDACTED]
6/20/75, ADVISING ATTENDANCE OF [REDACTED] AT ABOVE ST. LOUIS
CAUCUS NOT NEEDED, SINCE SUFFICIENT COVERAGE ALREADY SECURED,
BUT [REDACTED] b2
b7D

ABOVE OFFICES SHOULD INSURE EXACT ACCOUNTING OF EXPENSES
IS MADE. EACH SOURCE SHOULD BE PROMPTLY DEBRIEFED FOLLOWING
RETURN TO TERRITORY OF HANDLING OFFICE, AND PERTINENT RESULTS
FURNISHED ST. LOUIS AND MILWAUKEE, RESPECTIVELY, FOR INCLUSION
IN OVERALL LHMS. ST. LOUIS, [REDACTED] BY WHICH
[REDACTED] CAN CONTACT ST. LOUIS HANDLING AGENT IN EVENT
NECESSARY. MILWAUKEE LIKEWISE ADVISE [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] CONTACTS SHOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH INFORMANT
SECURITY. b7C
b2

AIRMAIL COPIES TO SAN FRANCISCO AND TAMPA.

~~CLASSIFIED BY 7225 EGDS INDEFINITE~~
Tamp
1/25/81

NOTE:

See memorandum Mr. [REDACTED] to Mr. W. R.
Wannall, dated 6/13/75, captioned as above, which advised
of VVAW/WSO 15th National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM),
 slated for 7/3-5/75 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and preceding
VVAW/WSO Anti-imperialist Caucus (anti-Revolutionary Union
(RU) forces), scheduled for 6/27-30/75 in St. Louis, Missouri,
and approved attendance of up to [REDACTED] sources
at each event, and expenditure of up to \$1,000 of additional
expenses for each event, for a total of \$2,000. b7C
b2

CONTINUED - PAGE THREE

PAGE THREE 100-448092 ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NOTE CONTINUED:

[redacted] has advised that [redacted] has been invited to attend St. Louis meeting within [redacted] VVAV/WSO Chapter, which has [redacted] is represented in split within VVAV/WSO over question of RU influence since represents opportunity to entice disgruntled VVAV/WSO elements into PROC following.

[redacted] his informant status. Expenses are broken down as follows: [redacted] living expenses for four days, at \$25.00 per day, \$100.00, and \$10.00 for caucus fee, for a total of \$136.60. Informant is currently authorized payments of up to \$300 per month for expenses and up to \$75 per month for expenses. [redacted] source authorized to attend above St. Louis meeting, and a total expenditure of \$518.60 has been authorized to date. (u)

[redacted] has advised that [redacted] telephonically advised by Headquarters Supervisor [redacted] 6/20/75 that [redacted] expenses are as follows: [redacted] To [redacted] \$30; Lodging, \$60; Incidentals, \$90, for a total of \$287.47. [redacted] is currently paid under SAC authority and is [redacted] authorized to attend above Milwaukee RUCM, and a total expenditure of \$287.47 has been authorized to date. 4

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. Asst. Dir.:	_____
Adm. Serv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Insp.	_____
Intell.	_____
Lab.	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

NR008  CODE

742PM NITEL 6-19-75 TG

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)
ST. LOUIS (100-21603)
SAN FRANCISCO (100-71012)
TAMPA (100-2514)

FROM 

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

*DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 bjs/JSK
7/5/95*

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS, NATIONAL MEETING, ST. LOUIS,
MISSOURI, JUNE 27-30, 1975. IS.

RE TAMPA AIRTEL, JUNE 13, 1975.

SOURCE ADVISED THIS DATE 

CHAPTER OF VVAW/WSO AND WAS 

TO

CHAPTER 

SOURCE HAD 

JUN 24 1975

ST. LOUIS AND

BOSTON MEETINGS.

b7c

b7D

5-enc

PAGE TWO [REDACTED] C O N F I D E N T I A L

BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED [REDACTED] SOURCE TO TRAVEL
TO ST. LOUIS AND ATTEND CAUCUS. SOURCE WOULD NEED [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] \$25.00 DAY LIVING
EXPENSES FOR FOUR DAYS AND \$10.00 FOR CAUCUS FEE.

BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO ADVANCE THESE FUNDS TO
SOURCE. ST. LOUIS DIVISION REQUESTED TO ADVISE [REDACTED] NAME
OF CONTACTING AGENT IN ST. LOUIS. SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED TO
DETERMINE IDENTITY [REDACTED] (LNU).

~~CLASSIFIED BY 6480, XGDS-2, INDEFINITE.~~

ADMINISTRATIVE

SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

END.

b7D

*revised
and*

b2
b7D

HOLD

MESSAGE RELAY

Transmit in ☐ Plaintext
☒ Code

Via Teletype the Attached ☐ Immediate
☐ Urgent ☒ Nitel Message

Date 6/11/75

From: Director, FBI

To: SACs:

To: Legats:

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6 BJA/LL
ON 7/5/95

To: RUEADWW/ ☐ The President ☐ The Vice President ☐ White House Situation Room
☐ Attn: ☐ Attn:

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Attorney General ☐ Deputy Attorney General
☐ Attn: Analysis and Evaluation Unit

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division

RUEBWJA/ ☒ Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division
☒ Attn: Internal Security Section ☐ Attn: General Crimes Section

RUEABND/ ☐ Drug Enforcement Administration RUEANAT/ ☐ National Aeronautics & Space Adm.

RUEBWJA/ ☐ Immigration and Naturalization Service RUEOIAA/ ☐ National Security Agency
(DIRNSA/NSOC (Attn: SOD))

RUEBWJA/ ☐ U. S. Marshal's Service RUEGLKN/ ☐ Naval Investigative Service

RUEBDUA/ ☐ Department of the Air Force (AFDSI) RUEAUSA/ ☐ U. S. Postal Service (if Classified)
(Use RUEVDPS if Unclassified)

RUEACSI/ ☐ Department of the Army RUEHSE/ ☒ U. S. Secret Service (PID)

RUEAIA/ ☐ Director, CIA RUEHOC/ ☐ Secretary of State

RUEBJGA/ ☐ Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard RUEBJGA/ ☐ Department of Transportation
Attn: Director of Security

RUEKJCS/ ☐ Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

RHEGGTN/ ☐ Energy Research and Development Administration

RUEOGBA/ ☐ Federal Aviation Administration

EX 103 REC-5
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

100-448092-4291

JUN 12 1975

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. AD Adm. _____
Dep. AD Inv. _____
Asst. Dir. _____
Admin. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Inspection _____
Intell. _____
Laboratory _____
Legal Coun. _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Off. of Cong. & Public Affairs _____
Director's Sec'y _____

Classification: ☐ Top Secret
☐ Secret
☒ Confidential
☐ Unclassified

TELETYPE

Foreign Liaison Unit
☐ Route through for review
☐ Cleared telephonically
with _____

Subject (Text begins next page):

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
COLUMBUS, OHIO (TENTATIVE), JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE).

MAIL ROOM ☐TELETYPE UNIT ☒

b7c

~~100-418692~~ PLAIN

~~200PM NITEL JUNE 11, 1975 LHW~~

~~TO DIRECTOR (100-418692)~~

~~CHICAGO (100-70162)~~

~~CINCINNATI (100-15743)~~

~~CLEVELAND (100-31431)~~

~~SAN FRANCISCO (100-70162)~~

~~ST. LOUIS (100-21603)~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR VETERAN SOLDIER ORGANIZATION~~

~~(VAVVO), 15TH NATIONAL DISTRICT, CHICAGO MEETING, 1975,~~

~~CHICAGO, THIS (TENTATIVE), JUNE 27, 1975 (TENTATIVE) IS GO.~~

~~CHICAGO.~~

A SOURCE, WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST, CONFIRMS THAT AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS OF VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 27, 1975, AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

CLASSIFIED BY ¹⁷²⁰45E, XGDS, CATEGORY 2, DECLASSIFIED INDEFINITE.

ADMINISTRATIVE: SOURCE IS ~~RE SAN~~

~~TRANSIT TO BUREAU AND OTHER OFFICES, JUNE 2, 1975~~

END

~~PLEASE HOLD~~

~~FOR FIELD ACK FOR TWO~~

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. DeLoach	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Bishop	
Mr. Casper	
Mr. Callahan	
Mr. Conrad	
Mr. Felt	
Mr. Gale	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
Tele. Room	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

b2
b7D

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 17 1975
TELETYPE

Assoc. Dir.	
Dep. A.D. Adm.	
Dep. A.D. Inv.	
Asst. Dir.:	
Admin.	
Crim. Inv.	
Ext. Affairs	
Files & Com.	
Gen. Inv.	
Ident.	
Inspection	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Intell.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Lab.	
Plan. & Eval.	
Spec. Inv.	
Training	
Legal Coun.	
Telephone Rm.	
Director's Sec'y	

NR011 MI COOE

9:56PM NITEL 6/17/75 LSK

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

ALBANY (100-22519)

BALTIMORE (100-27909)

BOSTON (100-42739)

BUFFALO (100-21623)

BUTTE (100-9147)

CHARLOTTE (100-11256)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

CINCINNATI (100-19743)

CLEVELAND (100-31431)

DENVER (100-10467)

JACKSONVILLE (100-1745)

KANSAS CITY (100-15886)

LOS ANGELES (100-77703)

MIAMI (100-16340)

NEWARK (100-53565)

NEW YORK (100-160644)

PHILADELPHIA (100-52640)

PORTLAND (100-12313)

ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

SAN FRANCISCO (100-71012)

SEATTLE (100-31285)

TAMPA (100-2514)

WFO (100-47162)

//////////////////// ALL OFFICES VIA FBIHQ //////////////////////

FROM: MILWAUKEE (100-15674) (P)

Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization

(VVAW/WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 3-7, 1975.

RE BUREAU AIRTEL DATED MAY 21, 1975, CAPTIONED "VVAW/WSO

15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING, COLUMBUS, OHIO

(TENTATIVE); JULY, 1975 (TENTATIVE), IS;" AND CINCINNATI

TO BUREAU, JUNE 2, 1975.

END PAGE ONE

TELETYPED TO:
JUN 30 1975

REC-28
EX-100
100-448092-4292
2/5/98
JUN 19 1975

b7c

PAGE TWO MI 100-15674

AS BUREAU STATED IN RE AIRTEL DATED MAY 21, 1975, CAPTIONED VVAW/WSO NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL LIKELY BE HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT IN DETERMINING THE FUTURE COURSE, OR EVEN THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE, OF THE VVAW/WSO IN TERMS OF ITS RELATIONSHIP WITH THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU).

IT IS MOST IMPERATIVE THAT WE HAVE COVERAGE OF THIS NSCM IN GENERAL AND ALL OF THE MAJOR WORKSHOPS. INFORMANTS SHOULD BE PARTICULARLY ALERT TO CONTEMPLATED CONTINUATION OF DISCUSSION, DEBATE AND VOTING ON AFFILIATION OF VVAW/WSO WITH RU.

MILWAUKEE SOURCES, [REDACTED] SOURCES, HAVE PROVIDED INFORMATION WHICH INDICATES NSCM BEING HELD AT ST. MICHAEL'S COMMUNITY SCHOOL, MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 3-7, 1975. ALL OFFICES WITH INFORMANTS IN A POSITION TO ATTEND THIS NSCM SHOULD REQUEST FBIHQ APPROVAL FOR THEIR TRAVEL TO THE NSCM SITE AND COORDINATE PERTINENT DETAILS WITH THE MILWAUKEE OFFICE.
END

b7D

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR CORRECTIONS PLEASE CONTACT MILWAUKEE OFFICE.

END

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-488092)

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-53565) (P)

DATE: 6/23/75

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
IS
OO: CHICAGO

Re Albany Nitel to Bureau dated 6/18/75.

On 6/20/75, [REDACTED] who has some knowledge of VVAW/WSO matters in New Jersey, advised he has no knowledge of the June 6-8, 1975, VVAW/WSO Regional meeting held at the Universalist-Unitarian Church, Buffalo, New York.

b2
b7D

ST-117

REC-63

100-488092-4243

JUN 24 1975

2-Bureau
2-Albany (100-22519)
2-Buffalo (100-21623)
2-Newark
JHB:jz
(8)



5010-110

JUN 30 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 6/24/75

FROM : SAC, Richmond (100-11445)(RUC)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
HELD AT FT. MEADE, MARYLAND
5/17/75
IS - VVAW/WSO
OO: BALTIMORE

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/5/95 BY SP6/bjv/AB

Re Baltimore letter to the Bureau 6/17/75.

A check made of DMV records through the DMV computer on 6/23/75 reflected that Virginia License DCT-324 is registered for a 1966 Plymouth, [REDACTED] RHA1D61295483, issued to [REDACTED] Street, 101, Arlington, Va. 22209. This license is due to expire 12/31/75.

DMV records reflect that Virginia License GJD-401 is registered for a 1965 Chevrolet, VIN 164695Y245189, issued to [REDACTED] Road, 102, Alexandria, Va. 22304. This license is due to expire 1/31/76.

Richmond indices are negative regarding [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Alexandria conduct indices check re [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

b7c

1-444 JED

REC-24

11480934294

- ② - Bureau
- 2 - Alexandria
- 2 - Baltimore (100-33120)
- 1 - Chicago (100-50772)(Info)
- 1 - New York (100-160644)(Info)
- 1 - Richmond

/mhh
(9)

EX-117

JUN 26 1975

FIVE



2 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

NR007 AL CODE

10:37 PM NITEL JUNE 18, 1975 CHP

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-488092)

BUFFALO (100-21623)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

NEWARK (100-53565)

NEW YORK (100-160644)

FROM: ALBANY (100-22519) (P)

ATTN: INTO

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO); IS (OO: CO).

ON JUNE 18, 1975, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS PROVIDED
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT THE NEW YORK -
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION OF THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST
THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) HELD A
REGIONAL MEETING (RM) JUNE 6-8, 1975, AT THE UNIVERSALIST
UNITARIAN CHURCH, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, ACCORDING TO LEADERS
OF THE ONEONTA, NEW YORK VVAW/WSO CHAPTER.

CC TO SS

1-Dep't (155)

6/19/75

CNL/RDB

by r/s

5 JUN 24 1975

5-111

4295

b7c

WRN 11-11

7/5/95

[REDACTED]

AL 100-22519, PAGE TWO, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THE VVAW, FORMED 1967 BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA (CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/WSO IN 1973 TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS AS MEMBERS), HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. THE VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO) AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY THE MILITANT REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) ORGANIZATION.

VVAW/WSO LEADERS VOTED AT THE DECEMBER, 1974 NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) TO ALIGN VVAW/WSO WITH THE RU, WHICH ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS A STRICT MAOIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE U.S.

THOSE PRESENT AT THE MEETING INCLUDED [REDACTED]
REGIONAL COORDINATOR, BUFFALO, NEW YORK; [REDACTED] (PH),

b7c

AL 100-22519, PAGE THREE, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NATIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS; AND [REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO CHAPTER.

ON SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 1975, [REDACTED] READ A LETTER OF RESIGNATION TO THOSE PRESENT AT THE MEETING. IN THE LETTER, [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS RESIGNING DUE TO THE SPLIT IN THE VVAW/WSO CAUSED BY THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU). HE STATED THAT THE VVAW/WSO HAD COMPLETED ALL OF ITS MAJOR AIMS AND SPECIFICALLY CITED THE END OF THE VIETNAM WAR, AMNESTY FOR DESERTERS, AND THE BACKING OF [REDACTED] [REDACTED] INDICATED THE VVAW/WSO WAS NO LONGER EFFECTIVE AS A MASS-BASED ORGANIZATION AND CITED SEVERAL OTHER REASONS FOR THE RESIGNATION, ONE OF WHICH ALLUDED IN SOME WAY TO FBI INFORMANTS WITHIN THE VVAW/WSO.

b7c

THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA IS A MILITANT SEMI-COVERT MARXIST-LENINIST REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION

AL 100-22519, PAGE FOUR, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

IDEOLOGICALLY ORIENTED TOWARDS THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE TEACHINGS OF CHAIRMAN
MAO TSE-TUNG. ITS OBJECTIVES ARE SET FORTH IN ITS
THEORETICAL PUBLICATION, "THE RED PAPERS", AND IN
ITS MONTHLY NEWSPAPER, "REVOLUTION." MEMBERS OF THE
RU HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS COLLECTING WEAPONS
WHILE ENGAGING IN FIREARMS AND GUERRILLA WARFARE
TRAINING. AS OF JULY, 1974, RU NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
WAS LOCATED IN MAYWOOD, ILLINOIS.

[REDACTED] WALKED OUT OF THE RM AFTER READING THE
RESIGNATION LETTER. THE ONEONTA VVAW/WSO CHAPTER ALSO
WALKED OUT OF THE RM IN SUPPORT OF [REDACTED]

THIS SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT AT SOME POINT BETWEEN
THE EARLY EVENING OF JUNE 6, 1975, AND THE LATE MORNING
OF JUNE 7, 1975, [REDACTED] ALIENATED MOST OF THOSE
IN ATTENDANCE OVER HIS PRO-RU RHETORIC AND ARGUMENTS CONCERNING

b7C

1

b2
b7D
b7C

)

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] (RELIABLE) [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

██████████ REPRESENTS ALL INFORMATION OBTAINED
TO DATE BY SOURCE. NO LHM FOLLOWS.

ALBANY MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH SOURCE AND WILL IMMEDIATELY
REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED.
END.

WGM FBING CLR FDR TWO TELS

12:37 PM NITEL JUNE 18, 1975 CI

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DECLASSIFIED BY 820-VA
7/5/95

FROM: ALBANY

1
X

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO); IS (OO: CG).

ON JUNE 18, 1975, A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE WHO HAS PROVIDED
RELIABLE INFORMATION IN THE PAST ADVISED THAT THE NEW YORK -
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION OF THE VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST
THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO) HELD A
REGIONAL MEETING (RM) JUNE 6-8, 1975, AT THE UNIVERSALIST
UNITARIAN CHURCH, BUFFALO, NEW YORK, ACCORDING TO LEADERS
OF THE ONEONTA, NEW YORK VVAW/WSO CHAPTER.

THE VVAW, FORMED IN 1967 BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST U.S. INVOLVEMENT IN THE WAR IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA (CHANGED NAME TO VVAW/USO IN 1973 TO INCLUDE NON-VETERANS AS MEMBERS), HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. THE VVAW/USO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO) AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY THE MILITANT REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) ORGANIZATION.

VVAW/USO LEADERS VOTED AT THE DECEMBER, 1974 NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) TO ALIGN VVAW/USO WITH THE RU, WHICH ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS A STRICT MAOIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE U.S.

THOSE PRESENT AT THE MEETING INCLUDED [REDACTED] REGIONAL COORDINATOR, BUFFALO, NEW YORK; [REDACTED] (PH),

b7c

PAGE THREE, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NATIONAL OFFICE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS; AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

VVAW/WSO CHAPTER.

ON SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 1975, [REDACTED] READ A LETTER OF RESIGNATION TO THOSE PRESENT AT THE MEETING. IN THE LETTER, [REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS RESIGNING DUE TO THE SPLIT IN THE VVAW/WSO CAUSED BY THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU). HE STATED THAT THE VVAW/WSO HAD COMPLETED ALL OF ITS MAJOR AIMS AND SPECIFICALLY CITED THE END OF THE VIETNAM WAR, AMNESTY FOR DESERTERS, AND THE BACKING OF [REDACTED] INDICATED THE VVAW/WSO WAS NO LONGER EFFECTIVE AS A MASS-BASED ORGANIZATION AND CITED SEVERAL OTHER REASONS FOR THE RESIGNATION, ONE OF WHICH ALLUDED IN SOME WAY TO FBI INFORMANTS WITHIN THE VVAW/WSO. b7c

THE REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) FOUNDED IN EARLY 1968 IN THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA IS A MILITANT SEMI-COVERT MARXIST-LENINIST REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATION

PAGE FOUR, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

IDEOLOGICALLY ORIENTED TOWARDS THE PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA AND THE TEACHINGS OF CHAIRMAN
MAO TSE-TUNG. ITS OBJECTIVES ARE SET FORTH IN ITS
THEORETICAL PUBLICATION, "THE RED PAPERS", AND IN
ITS MONTHLY NEWSPAPER, "REVOLUTION." MEMBERS OF THE
RU HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS COLLECTING WEAPONS
WHILE ENGAGING IN FIREARMS AND GUERRILLA WARFARE
TRAINING. AS OF JULY, 1974, RU NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
WAS LOCATED IN MAYWOOD, ILLINOIS.

[REDACTED] WALKED OUT OF THE RM AFTER READING THE
RESIGNATION LETTER. THE ONEONTA VVAV/WSO CHAPTER ALSO
WALKED OUT OF THE RM IN SUPPORT OF [REDACTED]

b7c

THIS SOURCE FURTHER ADVISED THAT AT SOME POINT BETWEEN
THE EARLY EVENING OF JUNE 6, 1975, AND THE LATE MORNING
OF JUNE 7, 1975, [REDACTED] ALIENATED MOST OF THOSE
IN ATTENDANCE OVER HIS PRO-RU RHETORIC AND ARGUMENTS CONCERNING

PAGE FIVE, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

THE POSSIBLE FUTURE ALLIANCE OF VVAW/WSO AND RU.

~~CLASSIFIED BY 1168, XGDS 2, INDEFINITE.~~

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

DATE: 6/25/75

FROM : SAC, [REDACTED] P. **b7D**

SUBJECT: VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
15th NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
(NSCM), COLUMBUS, OHIO
July 1975

IS
OO CG

DECLASSIFIED BY *SP6/ky/vt*
ON 7/5/25

Re Bureau airtel to Albany 5/21/75; St. Louis
nitel to Bureau 6/10/75; Milwaukee nitel to Bureau 6/17/75.
MEMBER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION

On 6/16/75 [REDACTED] in telephonic contact [REDACTED]
with [REDACTED] VVAW/WSO Region coordinator,
who [REDACTED] [REDACTED] would be attending the
VVAW NSCM, and they would be [REDACTED]
individual to be named in the [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

b2
b7D
b7C

Source advised on 6/13/75 no VVAW meetings are
currently held in the [REDACTED] area and he knows of no
individuals from the [REDACTED] area who are planning to
attend a VVAW meeting scheduled for St. Louis 6/26/75.

LEADS:

REG 27

7 JUN 27 1975

AT [REDACTED]

Will continue to follow captioned meeting and
determine if any additional people plan to attend from
this area.

- 1-4440 JEH
- 2 Bureau (RM)
 - 2 Chicago (100-50772) (RM)
 - 2 Cincinnati (100-19743) (RM)
 - 2 Milwaukee (100-15674) (RM)
 - 2 St. Louis (100-21603) (RM)
 - 2 [REDACTED]

VDC:jrc
(12)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CLASSIFIED BY 4042
EXEMPT FROM GDS, CATEGORY 2
DATE OF DECLASSIFICATION INDEFINITE.



5010-110

1976
U.S. Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

NR006 SL CODE

6:08PM NITEL 6-24

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)
CHICAGO (100-50772)
CLEVELAND
TAMPA

FROM ST. LOUIS (100-21603) (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION

(VVAW/WSO); IS

RE ST. LOUIS NITEL TO CLEVELAND AND TAMPA, JUNE 19, 1975,
AND BUNITEL TO CHICAGO, JUNE 23, 1975.

FOR BUREAU INFORMATION, REFERENCED ST. LOUIS NITEL TO
CLEVELAND AND TAMPA WITH AM COPY TO CHICAGO SET FORTH FOLLOWING:

IN EVENT OF EMERGENCY, SOURCES FROM RECEIVING OFFICES MAY
CONTACT SA [REDACTED] AT TELEPHONE NUMBER 231-[REDACTED]

~~CLASSIFIED BY 3067, DODS 2, INDEFINITE.~~

END

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep.-A.D.-Adm.	_____
Dep.-A.D.-Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	_____
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

b7c

b7c

REC-25

100-41907-4297

NO JUN 24 1975

5-111

NR 004 BT CODE

4:54 PM NITEL JUNE 24, 1975 TOS

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CHICAGO (100-50772)

MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

FROM BUTTE (100-9147)

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR*WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN. JULY 3-7, 1975. IS.

RE ST. LOUIS NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 10, 1975; AND MILWAUKEE
NITEL TO BUREAU, JUNE 17, 1975.

ON JUNE 14, 1975, [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT MONTANA-IDAHO
REGION, VVAW/WSO, HAS RECEIVED NO MAIL OR OTHER NOTIFICATION
FROM NATIONAL OFFICE, VVAW/WSO, OR OTHER REGIONS CONCERNING
NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING OR VVAW/WSO ANTI-IMPERIALIST
CAUCUS AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 26-30, 1975.

SOURCE [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SOME OF MAILING FROM
NATIONAL OFFICE TO DIFFERENT REGIONS AND CHAPTERS NOT
SENT OUT.

[REDACTED] OFFERED NO FURTHER REASON FOR LACK OF COMMUNICATION
END PAGE ONE

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D.-Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D.-Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

b7C

b2
b7D
b7C

4298

REC-25
JUN 25 1975
JUL 1 1975
5-arr

PAGE TWO

BETWEEN NATIONAL OFFICE, VVAW/WSO, AND IOAHO- MONTANA
REGION. SOURCE CONTINUING ATTEMPTS TO DETERMINE IF REGION
DROPPED FROM MAILING LIST FOR LACK OF ACTIVITY.

SOURCE ADVISED [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NSCM, JULY 3-7, 1975, OR ANTI-IMPERIALIST
CAUCUS, JUNE 26-30, 1975.

END

QH0LO

1
b7D
1

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/23/75

FROM : *VRS/gys* SAC, SPRINGFIELD (100-12685) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION, HELD
AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND, 5/17/75
IS-VVAW/WSO
OO: Baltimore

REC-100

Re Baltimore letter to Bureau dated 6/17/75.

A check of Law Enforcement Agency Data System (LEADS)
for the State of Illinois, on 6/23/75, indicated that 1975 Illinois
license BN 5204 is registered to [REDACTED] Main
Street, Urbana, Illinois, on a [REDACTED] Illinois drivers license is [REDACTED] and SSAN
[REDACTED] His DOB is [REDACTED], 13 p [REDACTED], black
hair and brown eyes. He wears glasses.

Springfield indices are negative concerning [REDACTED]
Springfield indices do indicate that [REDACTED]
member of the Iranian Students Association (ISA) resided at
[REDACTED] Main, Urbana, Illinois, in 1973. This residence has
been, and continues to be, a communal-type living quarters for
Mid-East students at the University of Illinois.

REC-29

ST 104

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED

HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

7/5/95

Splz

JUN 30 1975

- 1-4440 JED
- 2 - Bureau (RM)
 - 2 - Baltimore (100-33120) (RM)
 - 1 - Springfield (100-12685)

HML/slc
(5)



56 JUL 15 1975

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

NR023 CG C00EO

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

707BPM NITEL 6/25/75 LSB

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

CLEVELAND (100-31431)

ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102)

TAMPA (100-2514)

FROM CHICAGO (100-50772)

~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO), IS.

RE BUREAU NITEL, JUNE 23, 1975.

CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO, [REDACTED] 1975, CONCERNING EXACT LOCATION
OF ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCAS, JUNE 27, - 30, 1975. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SINCE CHICAGO CHAPTER IS DOMINATED BY REVOLUTIONARY
UNION (RU) FORCES, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] VISED SOURCE THAT OPEN MASS MEETING IS PLANNED

50 JUN 26 1975

DECLASSIFIED BY SP6/SPV/VA
ON 7/5/95

70 JUL 1975

PAGE TWO CG 100-572 ~~C O N F I D E N T I A L~~

FOR MIDWEST AREA LATER IN THE SUMMER.

 PRAIRIE

FIRE (PF) MEETING IN BOSTON, JULY 11, - 13, 1975.

b7D

~~CLASSIFIED BY 6080, XGDS 2, INDEFINITE.~~

END.

HOLD

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. A.D. Adm.	_____
Dep. A.D. Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	_____
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	_____
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	<u>ALS</u>
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

free

NR 001 [REDACTED] CODE

9:28 AM URGENT 6/26/75 RJB

[REDACTED]

b7C

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448992)
 CHICAGO (100-57772)
 ST. LOUIS (100-31603)

7/5/95

FROM [REDACTED] (P)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION,
 (VVAW/WSO), IS.

RE CHICAGO NITEL, JUNE 25, 1975.

DESPITE DILIGENT EFFORTS BY [REDACTED]

[Handwritten signature]

**b2
b7D**

WILL BE UNABLE TO ATTEND.

THEREFORE, SOURCE
 REC-13

CLASSIFIED CONFIDENTIAL BY 6666, CATEGORY 2, INDEFINITE.

4301

JUN 27 1975

END

TOM FBIHQ CLR

CC

[REDACTED]

5-civil

JUL 15 1975

b7C

NR 021 NY COOE

8-58 PM NITEL 6-20-75 PLQ

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-488092) AND SAC,
ALBANY (100-22519) BUFFALO (100-21623)
CHICAGO (100-50772) NEWARK (100-53565)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-L 60644)

ATTN: INTO

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO); IS; OO:CHICAGO

ON JUNE 20, 1975, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED IT WAS LEARNED THAT NEW YORK-
NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION, VVAW/WSO, HELD REGIONAL MEETING IN
BUFFALO, NEW YORK, EARLY IN JUNE, 1975. AT MEETING [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] REGIONAL COORDINATOR, RESIGNED FROM VVAW/WSO
APPARENTLY OVER SPLIT IN ORGANIZATION DUE TO REVOLUTIONARY
UNION (RU) INFLUENCE. IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THAT BUFFALO,
NEW YORK CHAPTER WITHDREW FROM ORGANIZATION.

VVAW/WSO FORMED IN 1967, BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST
UNITED STATES (US) INVOLVEMENT IN WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA. HAS
SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING
IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. A.D. Adm. _____
Dep. A.D. Inv. _____
Asst. Dir. _____
Adm. Serv. _____
Crim. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Intell. _____
Lab. _____
Legal Coun. _____
Off. Cong. & Public Affs. _____
Rec. Mgmt. _____
Tech. Serv. _____
Training _____
Off. Liaison & Int. Affs. _____
Director's Sec'y _____

b7c

4302

JUN 25 1975

ALL INFO CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 1/5/95 BY SP-10/BAW
1cc 4440 JED
1cc J.S.
1cc 9/15/95
CER/mey 6/23/95

5-am

70 JUL 1975

PAGE TWO NY 100-160644

INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY RU, A MILITANT ORGANIZATION THAT
FOLLOWS STRICT MAOIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT
REVOLUTION IN THE US.

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE ALBANY NITEL TO BUREAU, BUFFALO, ET AL, JUNE 13, 1975.

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] **b2
b7D**

SOURCE LEARNED OF INFORMATION SET OUT HEREIN FROM FORMER
VVAW/WSO MEMBERS IN NEW YORK CITY.

NEW YORK IS MAINTAINING CONTACT WITH SOURCE ON THIS MATTER
AND WILL PROMPTLY REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED.
END.

WA

HOLD

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-53924) (P)

DATE: 6/26/75

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

SUBJECT: CHICAGO CHAPTER,
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)

OO: CHICAGO

Chicago report by Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED]
dated 3/31/75.

This communication is classified Confidential to
protect the identity of [REDACTED]

During May, 1975, and June, 1975, [REDACTED]
furnished the following information regarding the Chicago
VVAW/WSO Chapter:

At present the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter does not
maintain a headquarters and holds its meetings every other
week at 2546 North Halsted, Chicago, Illinois. [REDACTED]
and materials are maintained at [REDACTED]
Illinois, the residence of [REDACTED]
Bureau file number 100-475812, Chicago file number 100-53526.

Current membership numbers 16 individuals, however,
8 - 14 individuals normally attend Chapter meetings.

At present, the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter appears to be-
coming more and more influenced and dominated by the Revolutionary
Union (RU), stating that the Chapter members are currently also RU
members. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
Bureau file number 100-475812, Chicago file number
100-55276.

CONFIDENTIAL
Classified by 6607
Exempt from GDS, Category 2
Date of Declassification Indefinite

REC-30 100-448092-4303

- ② - Bureau (RM)
2 - Chicago [REDACTED]
(1 - A [REDACTED])

SPW/kml
(4)



5010-110

JUL 1 1975
Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

CG 100-53924

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Chicago continues to closely follow and report the activities of the Chicago VVAW/WSO Chapter, as well as, future RU influence on this organization.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO

Mr. W. R. Wannan *Wannan*

FROM

Mr. [REDACTED]

SUBJECT

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
IS

1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]
1 - Mr. [REDACTED]

DATE: 6/13/75

Assoc. Dir. _____
Dep. AD Adm. _____
Dep. AD Inv. _____
Asst. Dir.: _____
Adm. _____
Comp. Syst. _____
Ext. Affairs _____
Files & Com. _____
Gen. Inv. _____
Ident. _____
Intell. _____
Laboratory _____
Legal Coun. _____
Plan. & Eval. _____
Spec. Inv. _____
Training _____
Telephone Rm. _____
Director Sec'y _____

PURPOSE:

To advise of VVAW/WSO's 15th National Steering Committee Meeting (NSCM), slated for 7/3-5/75, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and preceding VVAW/WSO Anti-Imperialist Caucus (anti-Revolutionary Union (RU) forces), scheduled for 6/27-30/75 in St. Louis, Missouri, and to request approval be granted for attendance of up to [REDACTED] sources at each event and for additional expenses payable in connection with each event of up to \$1,000, for a total of up to \$2,000.

BACKGROUND:

The VVAW, formed in 1967 by Vietnam veterans to protest U.S. involvement in the war in Southeast Asia (changed name to VVAW/WSO in 1973 to include non-veterans as members), has sponsored numerous anti-government demonstrations, some resulting in violence. The VVAW/WSO National Office (NO) and some key chapters are infiltrated and influenced by the militant RU organization, and VVAW/WSO leaders have told members that VVAW/WSO is a revolutionary organization, not "just another group of war veterans." The current Marxist-Leninist-Maoist oriented NO, which promotes education of the membership in Marxist-Leninist-Maoist doctrine and directs the organization into political growth along the same lines, has at VVAW/WSO NSCMs; in 1974, portrayed VVAW/WSO as a mass anti-imperialist organization and a vanguard of the revolution eventually created by the masses. VVAW/WSO leaders voted at the 12/74 NSCM to align VVAW/WSO with the RU, which organization follows a strict Maoist line designed to bring about violent revolution in the U.S. Some VVAW/WSO chapters, however, do not adhere to NO concepts and policy and are anti-RU.

Above NSCM will consist primarily of workshops, discussions and speeches concerning the base and focus of VVAW/WSO, the current state of its affiliation with the RU and

100-448092

CNL:bmf
(5)

CONTINUED - OVER JUN 17 1975

58 JUN 1975

b7c

Memorandum to Mr. W. R. Wannall
Re: VVAW/WSO
100-448092

the direction and future of VVAW/WSO. It will be composed of delegates from the various VVAW/WSO regions across the nation who will vote on different proposals on above topics as well as on new national officers. NSCM will be conducted by RU-controlled VVAW/WSO NO coordinators.

Above caucus will be constituted by dissident VVAW/WSO groups opposed to RU leadership of the VVAW/WSO NO and RU infiltration of certain VVAW/WSO chapters with purpose being to formulate plans to counter RU influence within VVAW/WSO.

OBSERVATIONS:

It is believed that VVAW/WSO is at the crossroads of its life. Inasmuch as details related to decisions made at both of above meetings will be highly significant in determining the future course or even the continued existence of the VVAW/WSO in terms of its relationship with the RU, it is considered imperative that we have adequate source coverage. In connection with each meeting, we have a minimum of [REDACTED]

1
b7D
b2
1
The fact that each of these meetings will consist of several different workshops and discussion groups, the utilization of [REDACTED] for each event is considered necessary to provide the vital coverage. We will limit our source coverage to the absolute minimum necessary to provide adequate coverage and analysis will be placed on these situations.

[REDACTED] sources at an estimated cost of \$1,000 is being [REDACTED] each of above meetings, for a total of up to \$2,000. Every effort will be made to keep expenses at an absolute minimum.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That, to provide adequate coverage of above two VVAW/WSO meetings and to insure protection of our sources, approval be granted for up to [REDACTED] sources to attend each event and for additional expense payments in connection with each event of up to \$1,000, for a total of up to \$2,000.

0627 NY CODE

6-24 AM NITEL JUNE 26, 1975 DXM SENT 6/27 WXS

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) AND SACS

CHICAGO (100-50772)

MILWAUKEE (100-15674)

SAN FRANCISCO (100-71012)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-160644)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ATTN: INFO

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION
(VVAW/WSO) 15TH NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM),
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, JULY 3-7, 1975; IS-VVAW/WSO, OO: CHICAGO.

ON JUNE 25, 1975, SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN THE PAST, ADVISED THAT DELEGATES OF NEW YORK CITY
(NYC) CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO, TO CAPTIONED NSCM ARE [REDACTED]
JOSEPH XURGO, [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] OF
NYC CHAPTER WILL ALSO ATTEND AND WILL BE CHAIRMAN OF ONE OF THE
WORKSHOPS.

NYC CHAPTER WILL RENT VAN FOR TRANSPORTATION OF DELEGATES
TO MILWAUKEE. DELEGATES FROM OTHER VVAW/WSO CHAPTERS IN SOUTHERN
NEW YORK AND NORTHERN NEW JERSEY WILL ALSO TRAVEL IN VAN.

REC-88

15 JUL 1 1975

DECLASSIFIED BY SP 6/28/10
ON 7/5/95

70 JUL 15 1975

5-ann

Assoc. Dir.	
Dep. A.D. Adm.	
Dep. A.D. Inv.	
Asst. Dir.:	
Adm. Serv.	
Crim. Inv.	
Ident.	
Intell.	
Insp.	
Lab.	
Legal Coun.	
Plan. & Eval.	
Spec. Inv.	
Training	
Telephone Rm.	
Director Sec'y	

b7c

4305

PAGE TWO

NY 100-160644

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ONE OF THE MAIN ITEMS ON AGENDA IS TO SETTLE DISPUTE WITH NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER WHICH HAS NOT FOLLOWED REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) LINE OF VVAW/WSO NATIONAL OFFICE (NO) AND HAS BEEN EXPELLED FROM ORGANIZATION AS A RESULT. NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER HAS REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE THE FACTION.

VVAW/WSO FORMED IN 1967, BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST UNITED STATES INVOLVEMENT IN WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA, HAS SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO NO AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY RU, A MILITANT ORGANIZATION THAT FOLLOWS STRICT MARXIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT REVOLUTION IN THE UNITED STATES.

~~CLASSIFIED BY 7102, XSDS 2, INDEFINITE.~~

ADMINISTRATIVE

REMINTEL TO FBI HQ, AL, ET AL, JUNE 17, 1975.

SOURCE IS [REDACTED] NEW YORK WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RECEIVED.

END.

WA-

HOLD PLS

b2
b7D

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/2/75

FROM : SAC, WFO (100-59344) (RUC)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED BY THE
VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO),
AT FORT MEADE, MARYLAND, MAY 17, 1975.
IS-VVAW/WSO

Re Baltimore letter to the Bureau dated 6/17/75.

Referenced Baltimore letter set forth the details of captioned demonstration as well as a list of license tag numbers observed in the vicinity of captioned demonstration. The following investigation was conducted at Washington, D.C. in regard to WDC license 318-876 observed at the demonstration. On 6/23/75, a check of the Washington Area Law Enforcement System (WALES) determined that WDC license 318-876 was issued to a 1975 Datsun two door vehicle. VIN LB110770425 registered to [REDACTED] Virginia Avenue, N.W., WDC, Apartment [REDACTED] WALES reflected that the above tag expired on 3/31/75. On 6/27/75, a search of WALES under the name of [REDACTED] reflected that [REDACTED] is a male [REDACTED] and currently resides at [REDACTED] Virginia Avenue, N.W., WDC, Apartment [REDACTED] holds a valid WDC drivers license number [REDACTED] which expires 2/18/79. WALES reflected that [REDACTED] has SSAN [REDACTED] A review of WFO indices on 6/27/75 [REDACTED] regarding [REDACTED]

In view of the above and that no investigation is outstanding at WDC, this matter is considered RUC'd.

Information copy to Chicago.

1-4440 JER
②-Bureau
2-Baltimore (100-33120)
1-Chicago (Info)
1-WFO
WN:ldf
(6)

REC-24

EX-117

12 JUL 3 1975



NR006 [REDACTED] DDE

5:15 PM NITEL JUNE 24, 1975 RKK

TO DIRECTOR (100-448092)

ST. LOUIS (100-21603)

FROM [REDACTED] (P)

ATTN: INTD

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER
ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS, NATIONAL
MEETING, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 27-30, 1975. IS
RE ST. LOUIS NITEL [REDACTED] JUNE 19, 1975.

FOR THE ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS MEETING ST. LOUIS JUNE 27-30,
1975. SOURCE HAS CODE NAME DESIGNATION OF [REDACTED] NO WAS
FURNISHED THE NAME OF ST. LOUIS CONTACTING AGENT (SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] NO TELEPHONE NUMBER. SOURCE INSTRUCTED ONLY TO
CONTACT SA [REDACTED] IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY AND HE [REDACTED]

b2
b7D
b7C

[REDACTED] SOURCE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND NATIONAL
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING (NSCM) SCHEDULED FOR MILWAUKEE
JULY 3-7, 1975.

JUN 26 1975

END PAGE ONE

51 JUL 15 1975

71 5-195

5-111

PAGE TWO -

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

b7D

AIRMAIL COPY TO CHICAGO.

CLASSIFIED BY 6959, XGDS 2, INDEFINITE.

END

PMJ FBI HQ ACK

Dep. A.D. Adm.	
Dep. A.D. Inv.	
A. St. Dir.	
Admin.	
Comp. Syst.	
Ext. Affairs	
Files & Com.	
Gen. Inv.	
Ident.	
Inspection	
Intell.	
Laboratory	
Plan. & Eval.	
Spec. Inv.	
Training	
Legal Coun.	
Telephone Rm.	
Director Sec'y	

7/5/75 *[Handwritten signature]*

7 *[Handwritten mark]*

CONFIDENTIAL

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP (S) OF *[Handwritten: Classification]*
DATE *[Handwritten: 8/10/79]*

NY 102 NY CODE

6-10 AM NITEL 6/26/75 WXS SENT 6/27

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-448092) AND SACS,
CHICAGO (100-50772) ST. LOUIS (100-21603)
SAN FRANCISCO (100-70102)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-16064) **REC-17**

ATTN: INFO

NATIONAL MEETING OF ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAUCUS OF VIETNAM VETERANS
AGAINST THE WAR/WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO), ST.
LOUIS, MISSOURI, JUNE 27-30, 1975; IS-VVAW/WSO; OO:CHICAGO

ON JUNE 25, 1975, FIRST SOURCE, WITH WHOM INSUFFICIENT
CONTACT HAS BEEN MADE TO JUDGE RELIABILITY OF HIS INFORMATION,
ADVISED IT WAS RECENTLY LEARNED FROM MEMBERS OF NEW YORK CITY
(NYC) CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO, THAT FORMER MEMBERS AND DISSIDENT
MEMBERS OF VVAW/WSO WILL HOLD NATIONAL MEETING AT UNDISCLOSED
LOCATION IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, LAST WEEKEND IN JUNE, 1975.
NYC CHAPTER MEMBERS INDICATED THAT PRAIRIE FIRE ORGANIZING
COMMITTEE (PFOC) WILL HAVE PRESENCE AT MEETING AT WOULD ATTEMPT
TO INFLUENCE IT, AND THAT MEETING IS BEING SET UP BY
AND MIKE MC CAIN OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER, VVAW/WSO.

[Large black redaction block]

[Handwritten: b7c]

[Handwritten: 4308]

54 JUL 30 1975

CONFIDENTIAL

CLASSIFIED AND EXTENDED BY *[Handwritten: Sp4 Ddd/Dkc]*
REASON FOR EXTENSION
FCIM, II, 1-2.4.2
DATE OF REVIEW FOR
DECLASSIFICATION *[Handwritten: 10/27/79]*

[Handwritten: 5- and]

[Handwritten: 7/25/79]

PAGE TWO NY 100-168644

APPARENT PURPOSE OF MEETING IS TO FORMULATE PLANS TO COUNTER
REVOLUTIONARY UNION (RU) INFLUENCE IN VVAW/WSO OR TO FORM NEW
VETERANS ORGANIZATION.

ACCORDING TO SOURCE AMONG THOSE TO ATTEND MEETING FROM
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER ARE [REDACTED] MC CAIN AND MIKE OLIVER. b7D

ON JUNE 11, 1975, SECOND SOURCE WHO HAS FURNISHED RELIABLE
INFORMATION IN PAST, FURNISHED INFORMATION THAT ANTI-IMPERIALIST
CAUCUS OF VVAW/WSO WOULD HOLD NATIONAL MEETING IN ST. LOUIS,
MISSOURI, JUNE 27-30, 1975. (S) b7C

VVAW/WSO FORMED IN 1967, BY VIETNAM VETERANS TO PROTEST
UNITED STATES (US) INVOLVEMENT IN WAR IN SOUTHEAST ASIA HAS
SPONSORED NUMEROUS ANTI-GOVERNMENT DEMONSTRATIONS, SOME RESULTING
IN VIOLENCE. VVAW/WSO NATIONAL CAUCUS AND SOME KEY CHAPTERS ARE
INFILTRATED AND INFLUENCED BY RU, A MILITANT ORGANIZATION THAT
FOLLOWS STRICT MARXIST LINE DESIGNED TO BRING ABOUT VIOLENT
REVOLUTION IN THE US. (S)

PFUC IS ASSOCIATED WITH WEATHER UNDERGROUND ISSUED BOOKLET
ENTITLED, "PRAIRIE FIRE" INTRODUCED IN SUMMER OF 1974. BOOK CALLS
FOR "VIOLENT OVERTHROW OF THE BOURGEOISIE AND THE ESTABLISHMENT"

PAGE THREE NY 100-160644

OF THE DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT."

WEATHER UNDERGROUND, ALSO KNOWN AS (AKA) WEATHERMAN GROUP WAS FORMED IN JUNE, 1969, AS FACTION OF STUDENTS FOR A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY. IN FEBRUARY, 1970, MEMBERS OF WEATHERMAN GROUP ENTERED AN UNDERGROUND STATUS WITH AN INTENDED PROGRAM OF "STRATEGIC SABOTAGE" WITH POLICE AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS AS PRIMARY TARGETS.

ADMINISTRATIVE

RE ST. LOUIS NITEL TO BUREAU, ALBANY, ET AL, JUNE 10, 1975.

FIRST SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NYC, WHO REQUESTED HIS IDENTITY BE CONCEALED.

[REDACTED] IS SUBJECT OF BUREAU FILE [REDACTED]

NEW YORK FILE [REDACTED] D [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] APPEARED AT NYO AND VOLUNTARILY FURNISHED INFORMATION TO SPECIAL AGENTS (SAs) [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] HE STATED THAT HE HAD OBTAINED INFORMATION ON [REDACTED] 1975, FROM

b7C
b7D

PAGE FOUR NY 100-162644

b7D
b2
b7C

[REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] VVAW/WSU AND
FROM A TELEPHONE CONVERSATION WITH [REDACTED] A MEMBER OF THE
VVAW/WSU IN [REDACTED]

BY [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] HE STATED HE WOULD CONTINUE ON [REDACTED]

SECOND SOURCE IS [REDACTED]

NEW YORK WILL FOLLOW AND REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
RECEIVED CONCERNING CAPTIONED MEETING.
END.

ACK FOR 4

FBI FBI WASH DC CLR

1 - Mr. J. [redacted]
 1 - (Attn: [redacted])
 1 - Mr. D. [redacted]
 1 - Mr. W.R. [redacted]
 1 - Mr. [redacted]
 1 - Mr. [redacted]

June 11, 1975

EX-108
 REC-56 100-447092-4309

Honorable F. Edward Hebert
 Chairman F. Edward Hebert, Chairman
 Armed Services Investigating Subcommittee
 U.S. House of Representatives
 Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Your letter (with enclosures) of May 22, 1975 concerning efforts of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) to organize U.S. Reserve and National Guard members, has been received.

You may be interested to know that the VVAW/WSO is currently under investigation by this Bureau based on information that its activities could involve violations of Federal statutes. Although organizing of Reserve and National Guard members is one of the stated goals of the VVAW/WSO, investigation to date has uncovered no concerted effort by this organization to engage in such organizing activity in Chicago or other areas around the country. Should this Bureau develop information in the future indicating that above-type organizing activity is occurring, the appropriate military department(s) will, of course, be apprised.

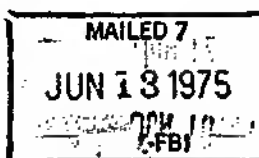
Sincerely yours,

Clarence M. Kelley

1 - The Deputy
 Attorney General

Clarence M. Kelley
 Director

CNL:msg (10)



(SEE NOTE PAGE TWO)

JUN 15 1975

MAIL ROOM ☒

TELETYPE UNIT ☐

GPO 534-146

Honorable F. Edward Hebert, Chairman

NOTE:

By letter of 5/22/75, to the Director, Congressman F. Edward Hebert, in his capacity as Chairman, Armed Services Investigating Subcommittee, U.S. House of Representatives, enclosed copy of letter of 3/24/75 to House Armed Services Committee from Congressman Larry P. McDonald concerning alleged efforts of VVAW/WSO to organize Reserve and National Guard members. Congressman Hebert's letter stated that, through Office of Assistant Secretary of Defense, his Subcommittee had learned that military departments have no evidence of any organizing efforts among Reserve and Guard units by the VVAW/WSO. Letter then inquired if this Bureau could provide any information to the Subcommittee in connection with this matter.

Review of appropriate files at FBIHQ and Chicago Office, office of origin in investigation of VVAW/WSO, in connection with instant inquiry, produced negative results. Outgoing has been coordinated with Congressional Service Office, Legal Counsel Division.

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS:

EDWARD HEBERT, LA.
CHAIRMAN

WILLIAM J. RANDALL, MO.

ROBERT L. LEGGETT, CALIF.

BILL NICHOLS, ALA.

ROBERT H. MOLLOHAN, W. VA.

DAN DANIEL, VA.

BOB CARR, MICH.

SAMUEL S. STRATTON, N.Y.

LUCIEN N. NEDZI, MICH.

ROBIN L. BEARD, TENN.

DONALD J. MITCHELL, N.Y.

ROBERT W. DANIEL, JR., VA.

WILLIAM L. DICKINSON, ALA.

NINETY-FOURTH CONGRESS

U.S. House of Representatives

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

ARMED SERVICES INVESTIGATING SUBCOMMITTEE

2339 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

225-4221, GOVERNMENT CODE 190, EXT. 4221

Assoc. Dir.	_____
Dep. AD Adm.	_____
Dep. AD Inv.	_____
Asst. Dir.:	
Admin.	_____
Comp. Syst.	_____
Ext. Affairs	✓
Files & Com.	_____
Gen. Inv.	_____
Ident.	_____
Inspection	_____
Intell.	_____
Laboratory	_____
Legal Coun.	_____
Plan. & Eval.	_____
Spec. Inv.	_____
Training	_____
Telephone Rm.	_____
Director Sec'y	_____

May 22, 1975

Mr. Clarence M. Kelly, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
John Edgar Hoover Building
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Mr. Kelly:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Congressman Larry P. McDonald to Chairman Melvin Price, along with an enclosure, concerning efforts of the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/ Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO) to organize Reserve and National Guard members. The matter has been referred to this Subcommittee for attention.

Through the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, the military departments have indicated that they have no evidence of any organizing efforts among Reserve or Guard units by the VVAW/WSO.

Since the VVAW/WSO appears to be a civilian organization, the Department of Defense has suggested that the Bureau might be aware of its activity and could provide information to the Subcommittee in this matter. Any assistance you might be able to provide would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

F. Edw. Hebert

F. Edw. Hebert
Chairman

REC-56

4309
6-2
JUN 2 1975

Enc.

FEH:jlj

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

DATE 7/2/95 BY 863/4

CEH

2- ENCLOSURE

ALL TO 2 PARTS, 1975
5/21/75
100-100000

EXP. PROC.
40 MAY 21 1975
16

LARRY P. McDONALD
7TH DISTRICT, GEORGIA

WASHINGTON OFFICE:
1641 LONGWORTH HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515
TELEPHONE: (202) 225-2931

DISTRICT OFFICES:
191 LAWRENCE STREET
MARIETTA, GEORGIA 30060
TELEPHONE: (404) 422-4480

301 FEDERAL BUILDING
ROME, GEORGIA 30161
TELEPHONE: (404) 235-1111

ROOM 202 POST OFFICE
ROSVILLE, GEORGIA 30741
TELEPHONE: (404) 866-2222

COMMITTEE:
ARMED SERVICES

SUBCOMMITTEES:
RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
SEAPOW

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

March 24, 1975

MAR 25 AM

ARMED SERVICES
INVESTIGATING SUBCOMMITTEE

MAR 27 1975

mm
Hon. Melvin Price
Chairman
House Armed Services Committee
2468 Rayburn HOB
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I have enclosed for your consideration a recent discussion paper circulated by the Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), an organization with an established record of involvement in violent activities.

The discussion paper indicates that the major focus of VVAW/WSO organizing will be reservists and national guardsmen, especially those in units with civil disturbance assignments.

This is but the latest in a long series of efforts by VVAW/WSO to subvert the various branches of the U.S. armed forces.

There is clear evidence that VVAW/WSO and its allies pose a determined threat to the efficiency and morale, if not the security, of the armed forces. I ask that you take action in the immediate effort by alerting the appropriate military authorities, and that the Armed Services Committee hold hearings to examine the extent of VVAW/WSO activities against this country.

Sincerely,

Larry McDonald

Larry P. McDonald *mm*

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 7/2/95 BY 36/24/1

LPMCD:lr
encl.

100-448092-4309
ENCLOSURE

MAR 21 1975

REC'D

Organizing in the Reserve and National Guard

A number of people in VVAW/WSO have been asking about organizing reservists and national guardsmen, and now that chapters are going to be giving serious thought to this organizing work in the future, we wanted to lay out as much as we can about the problems and some of the experience that we know of. The only consistent organizing of reservists and national guardsmen has taken place in Chicago, but the experience and sum-up should be helpful to people.

Reservists and Guardsmen

- 1) During the main period of organizing work in Chicago in 1972-73, people found that 99% of the reservists had joined for the sole reason of avoiding the draft and avoiding going to Vietnam. Although the period of obligation for a reservist is 6 years, it is likely that by now, there are greater numbers of people who have joined for other reasons. The economic incentives are not great, but they are probably enough for men to consider it a good source for a second or supplementary income. The job training that reservists allegedly get is also an incentive. Organizers should research this in the course of talking to reservists so we can get a more up to date idea of some of the reasons men join.
- 2) The organizers in Chicago found that it is important to analyze the various units in their areas to determine the purpose of the units and to determine the class and national status of the people in the unit. Some units are very heavily black, some are predominately working class, and some are professional. This is similar to conditions found on many large Army bases.
- 3) There are Third World people in the reserves and the number probably corresponds with the number in the active duty branches. The proportion of Third World people varies considerably from unit to unit. Until recently, units in Chicago were quite segregated, most units being all white with a few all black units. The military is attempting to integrate units, but often the trend is that the units located near predominately black neighborhoods will have a larger proportion of blacks. The other factor affecting the numbers of Third World people in a unit is the function of the unit. The "grunt" units are usually infantry or artillery (with a higher proportion of Third World people) and the more "elite" units like communication and clerical have a larger proportion of whites. Third World reservists find the same kind of racism--job discrimination, petty harassment, etc, that their active-duty counterparts find.
- 4) The ranks of the reserves and guard are filled overwhelmingly by men, although the effort to recruit women has increased in the past couple of years. There has been no experience working with women in the reserves and its not likely that organizers will come in contact with many women.
- 5) In general, organizers found that reservists don't see themselves as GIs in the same way that active-duty people do. It was often difficult to maintain organizing work from one month's drill meeting to the next and to keep up a consistent campaign around a specific issue like working conditions or petty harassment. Often, their attitude is to get through the weekend drill as easily as possible and forget about it during the rest of the month. One of the key ways to overcome this attitude is by involving them in the on-going work of VVAW/WSO and making them feel a part of a mass movement. We should educate them through actions and discussions to the role of the reserves and national guard and their part in the system of imperialism. Often, organizers found that the reservists had trouble taking seriously the thought of getting activated to smash strikes or other such popular uprisings; they have difficulty picturing themselves in such a situation. Objective conditions--the worsening

ENCLOSURE

100-448092-4309

economic situation and the increase in the number of strikes will help to break down that attitude, but, tying them into the mass work of the local chapter will help them see the necessity of building a fighting movement that will be able to effectively deal with any situation in which they might be activated for riot or scab duty.

National Guard: When a person enlists into the Army National Guard or Air National Guard, he also becomes a member of the Army Reserves or Air Force, and as such is part of the Ready Reserves. The state National Guard authorities, headed by the state Adjutant General, have the power to appoint and enlist men as members of the National Guard. Only if the federal government recognizes the appointment or enlistment does the person fulfill his statutory military obligation in the US Reserves.

Veterans Benefits: A reserve veteran is not entitled to the benefits that other veterans may receive unless he or she has spent some time on extended active duty (not initial active duty for training or annual active duty for training, which is called summer camp). For example, the GI Bill benefits may only be collected if the reservist has spent at least 181 days on extended active duty. As it usually turns out, reservists who complete their 6-year obligation will have put in only about 180 days active duty time and will not be eligible for benefits.

Disability compensation and medical benefits for the reservist are only authorized in certain circumstances. Benefits vary according to the time spent on active duty, and according to whether a disability is a result of disease or injury, and for a member of the National Guard, whether the injury occurred in state or federal duty.

General Conditions In Units

1) At most drill meetings (one weekend per month) it was discovered that reservists have very little to do. Sometimes there are lectures, clean up and inventory of equipment, or some job training (weapons training, etc). In general, what most reservists experience is boredom, confusion and inefficiency on the part of the brass, and a lot of busy-work. They don't see much purpose to their mission and they often feel that they are wasting their time. The advantage of this situation for organizers is that reservists are very open to good propaganda and have a lot of time on the drill weekend to read and discuss it. There is a good potential for political education to be carried on inside the unit during drill if good people and material are there to do it. The disadvantage of this situation is that reservists often have a hard time taking their role in the reserves seriously and understanding that they are there to control the civilian population in case of a militant strike or civil disturbance.

Some suggestions for educational material: a) material that covers the role of the reserves and guard and presents a history (especially recent history). b) material on VVAW/WSO, the activities of the local chapter, and particularly Winter Soldier. This material will link them in a concrete way to the broader struggle. c) Material on legal and extra-legal tactics that they can use to fight back against the brass. Material should deal with filing charges, fighting activations, etc.

It is important to build solid contacts in a unit to do the educational work and to build any campaign that might start.

2) Organizers have found that often the brass at the units are ignorant of their own regulations (even more so than with active-duty brass) and also don't know how to deal with people who are fighting back. Civilians have, in the past, experienced little harassment when leafletting, and, on a few occasions have been able to go into the armory to talk to reservists. The only way the brass has to discipline reservists (except Marines) is to threaten them with activation. While this is a very real threat, reservists are often more open to fighting back than people on active-duty. The organizers in Chicago saw many examples of reservists in a unit refusing to perform certain tasks and getting away with it. In one incident, some black reservists who had been assigned to clean latrines, refused the duty and protested the racist treatment they had been receiving. The brass completely backed down. Civilians were hired to clean up the armory so that the reservists, black and white, were no longer doing that work. Also, there was no punishment given out to those who had refused to work. Organizers found that reservists who knew the regulations were able to completely snow the brass.

People who work with reservists and guardsmen shouldn't, however, count on the incompetence of the brass. It is likely that, as the military uses the reserves and guard more, the situation will change.

3) Activation is the only real threat that the brass has to maintain discipline over most reservists. (Marine reservists are a special case, see below). If a reservist misses a drill and is not allowed to make it up or misses an opportunity to make it up, he will be considered to have an "unsatisfactory participation" for that meeting. If a reservist has a certain number of "unsats" for the year (the number varies from one to three or sometimes more) he is eligible to be activated. There is a certain procedure that the brass follows for activating a reservist, and often a reservist can avoid being activated by showing that the procedure was not properly followed. In the past, organizers referred people with activation orders to lawyers, but relying on professionals like lawyers is sometimes harmful to organizing. People should explore ways to fight activation through mass struggle.

Organizers found that occasionally, a unit will recommend reservists for discharge rather than activation. They found one Marine reserve unit that used that policy for awhile since they didn't want any "undesirables" in the active-duty ranks. People should check out whether or not units are using that policy, although it hasn't been used very often.

4) Conditions facing reservists are similar to those facing people on active duty. The most common complaints are poor equipment and working conditions, lack of sufficient training, petty harassment, and racism. There is quite a lot of spontaneous resistance in the form of refusing to perform certain duties and petty harassing of the brass, so there are the seeds for a more organized and directed campaign around these issues.

Program

Since there have been only three on-going reserve and guard organizing efforts that we know of, there really isn't the experience on which to base a program. Reserve and guard organizing is almost a completely new area of work and a lot of investigating and practical work needs to be done. A few suggested areas of work are outlined below, based on what we can sum up from the past practice:

1) Educational work:

- a. The role of the reserves and guard.
- b. VVAW/WSO, GI NEWS, Winter Soldier, and the broader struggle.
- c. Offensive legal information.

2) Racism: Third World people in the reserves find the same kind of racism and discrimination that their counterparts in the active duty branches do. They are subject to discrimination in duty assignments, job ratings, and harassment from the brass. There are some units that have very few Third World people and some that are predominately Third World, but the struggle against racism must be taken up wherever it is appropriate.

3) Working conditions: The issue of working conditions is often not of any great concern to reservists until they go to summer camp (every reservist must complete 2 weeks a year of active-duty service. This is usually at an active-duty base or special base that is used for this purpose.)

- a. One of the biggest complaints is faulty equipment. Reservists are often issued old equipment or equipment that has been rejected for use by the active-duty services. While some units are being equipped with new material, more are still using unsafe equipment.

- b. Many reservists complain that they have not been properly trained to use their equipment and that the result is many accidents.

- c. Reservists are often required on their drill weekends to go on "overnighters." These overnights are supposed to be training exercises and usually involve camping out for the weekend in fields or in various special camps (like Camp McCoy, Wisconsin). The conditions that reservists face on those trips usually involve sleeping in the mud, trucks breaking down on the road, etc.

4) Fighting the activation policy: There has never been an on-going campaign against the activation policy, but it is an issue that should be explored. Threatening reservists with being placed on active duty clearly exposes the role of the reserves. Many people, including reservists think that the reserves and guard are used to benefit the people in the communities by helping out in times of natural disasters or helping maintain the "safety" of the community. The reserves and guard have always tried to maintain the image of being an asset to the community. By fighting the activation policy, the connections between the reserves and guard and the imperialist military can be exposed and reservists can be brought to a better understanding of what their role really is. It is an issue which affects reservists at all times and is the primary tool that the brass uses to keep them in line.

5) Fighting command harassment: Aside from the threat of activation, command harassment affects reservists in many other ways. Job assignments, calling reservists in to perform duty at armories other than on their drill weekends, delays in getting paid, and other more minor problems can be areas in which campaigns are mounted. The organizers in Chicago carried on a campaign with some reservists who had not been paid for extra duty and found that the reservists were quite militant about confronting the brass as well as questioning the reasons for their extra duty.

6) Campaign against strikebreaking and riot control:

- a. Educational work analyzing the role of the reserves and guard and the history of their use against the people in this country should be a central part of organizing work with reservists and guardsmen. The pamphlet,

Soldiers and Strikers has been used successfully, but more literature should be developed.

b. Active campaigns against riot control and strikebreaking can take the form of reservists refusing to participate in riot control training. Many units have riot control training and planning as their primary task, and, although such a campaign has never been tried, people should explore it as a possible area of organizing work. If the guard is called out in an area, organizers should be prepared to work with reservists and guardsmen in opposing this move. Organizers in Chicago during the truck strike found that it was very important to try and build solidarity between the truckers and the guardsmen who were opposed to strikebreaking. The guardsmen, themselves, weren't the enemy--it was the government who called them out.

7) Disruption of family life: A common complaint of reservists is that being in the reserves and guard is disruptive and inconvenient to their lives. While this is often a problem that is relatively unimportant, it sometimes develops into an issue which could be organized around. Reservists sometimes are called any time of the day or night to come to the armory for extra duty or to be on stand-by for intervention in a civil disturbance. They are often faced with conflicts between their civilian jobs and their obligation to the reserves--they lose time at work, or they are harassed by their employers. Their obligations to the reserves often interfere with their family life. These issues can be taken up where appropriate and it should be done in the context of the role of the reserves and the reasons for the military's lack of concern for lower ranking reservists.

Summer Camp

All reservists and guardsmen are subject to 2 weeks per year of active duty service. Navy, Marine, and Air National Guard members usually go to active-duty bases for summer camp, while Army and National Guard members usually go to special bases (Camp Atterbury, Indiana, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Camp Pickett, Virginia, etc). This two week period is designed by the military to give reservists intensive training or additional training, and to get them used to active-duty service in case they are activated or called up for a crisis.

Most reservists are completely unaware of what their rights are, and unaware of how they can deal with being on active duty. The organizers in Chicago put out a "summer camp survival kit" which was enthusiastically received and which we strongly encourage people to do in their areas. It included legal rights information (the emphasis on using legal information to fight back), articles written about summer camp by reservists, a rap on the role and history of the reserves and guard, and some good graphics. One group in Boston found out where most reservists from that area were being sent and set up a storefront there for the summer. People who have the resources should consider doing this also.

In addition to the usual active-duty GI complaints, reservists at summer camp are especially concerned with safety conditions. The percentage of accidents involving summer camp participants seems to be higher than with active-duty people.

Sum-up

1) Organizers who are starting work with reservists and guardsmen should do some investigation of the units in their area before choosing units on which to concentrate. People should seek out the units that are most likely to be called up

up for civil disturbance and that have a program of riot control training. These units tend to be the infantry and artillery units and usually have the largest concentration of working class people and national minorities. These units usually receive the most harassment from the brass and will be most receptive to actively carrying on campaigns against this harassment. Large National Guard armories will usually have one or more units stationed there that are the first to be called up. The Marine Reserves also have units that receive riot control training. So far, to our knowledge, reserve units have never been used in riot control.

2) Most units begin their weekend drills early Saturday morning. Initial contact with reservists can be made by leafletting in front of the armories between about six and seven AM. Some reservists are allowed to leave the armory for lunch, so organizers should find out where they go for lunch. Building contacts in the units comes by being out at the armories consistently every month. Building contacts and finding out about the role of the unit and the hassles that the reservists face will lead to developing a program for organizing. Often there is a high level of apathy and inaction on the part of the reservists and people have found that the key to getting through is by tying the reserve work into the other activities of the chapter. If organizers work with reservists only on the basis of what is happening at their units, the response is not always going to be high. Through the work of a chapter in general, reservists will get an understanding of how their situation ties in to the military and the imperialist system as a whole. It will show them the necessity of building a fighting movement not only in their units but also where they work and in their communities.

3) In involving reservists in the work of the chapter, people can be in contact with them throughout the month rather than just when they are at their drills. It is important to find out where reservists work and what communities they live in, so that chapter people can relate to their day-to-day lives rather than to their once-a-month military obligation.

Counselling/Legal

1) "I want out": As with active-duty people, reservists are often looking for a way out of the reserves and guard. The same types of discharges are available to reservists that are available to active-duty people. Discharge counselling has been a problem for organizers in the GI movement for some time. People have felt that they don't want to do any discharge counselling because it leads to the feeling on the part of the GI that if he gets out everything will be better, that a discharge is the answer to his problems. In counselling, organizers have put the emphasis on offensive legal/extra legal tactics to fight back and kept the discharge counselling at a low level. If a reservist really wants to work for a discharge, it should be made clear to him that the only way he is going to get out is by putting up a fight. The military is not interested in his particular problems but they are interested in getting rid of people who do not fit in smoothly.

2) Most reservists and guardsmen are not subject to the UCMJ (Uniform Code of Military Justice) while at their monthly drill meetings. The organizers in Chicago always encouraged reservists to file Article 138's and charges as if they were on active duty as a way of shaking up the brass, but, to their knowledge, this tactic was never tried. In general, the use of offensive legal tactics might not

be as important to reservists as to active duty people, since there is a greater potential for reservists to take more direct action to protest conditions (strikes, etc). Marine reservists are subject to the UCMJ while at drill meetings, so legal tactics might be a more effective tactic for them to use. People should try out various offensive legal tactics and sum up how they work.

3) Marine reservists: Marine reservists are subject to the UCMJ at drill meetings as well as at summer camp. Their situation is more repressive since the brass can harass them with Article 15 (non-judicial punishment) and court-martial (the organizers in Chicago never heard about any Marine reservist being court-martialed as a result of an incident at a monthly drill, but theoretically, it is possible).

Regs : People who plan to work with reservists and guardsmen should get copies of the CCCO material on the reserves and guard. Their address is: CCCO, 2016 Walnut St, Philadelphia, Pa 19103. It is also helpful to have a copy of your state's national guard regulations. These are hard to get, but contacting a state representative might help.

Organizers in Chicago found that counselling was a good tactic in their work, but found that they were getting bogged down in discharge counselling. People should investigate how much demand there is from the reservists for discharge counselling without advertising that as part of their program. Any legal counselling is only a tool for organizing and should not be seen as a whole campaign or the only activity of the organizing project.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 7/2/75

FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (100-32931) (RM)

SUBJECT: DEMONSTRATION SPONSORED
BY THE VVAW/WSO; RU AND
RSB AT WASHINGTON, D.C.
3/28/75
IS - VVAW/WSO
IS - RU

*VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR
WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION*

Re Washington Field Office letter to the
Bureau, dated 5/12/75.

Enclosed for Washington Field Office are 24
photographs taken of captioned demonstration.

[REDACTED] has left the Baltimore Division and
thus was unable to identify participants in the enclosed
photographs.

The enclosed photographs were shown to CS [REDACTED]
and [REDACTED] and the following identifica-
tions were made and are designated on the following:

NAME	FILE NUMBERS	AFFILIATION
[REDACTED]	BA 100-26681	Revolutionary Union (RU) - Adex
[REDACTED]	BA 100-27397	Revolutionary Student Brigade (RSB)
[REDACTED]	BA 100-30055	RU
[REDACTED]	BA 100-30997	RU
[REDACTED]	BA 100-31766	GI assigned to Fort Meade
[REDACTED]	BA 100-31004	RU Adex
[REDACTED]	BA 100-30027	VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR/ WINTER SOLDIER ORGANIZATION (VVAW/WSO)
[REDACTED]	BA 100-30809 WFO 100-56984	

2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Washington Field Office (Enc. 24) (RM)
1 - Baltimore
DBA/dsf

(5)

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan.

BA 100-32931

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FILE NUMBERS</u>	<u>AFFILIATION</u>
[REDACTED]	BA 100-31500	GI assigned to Fort Meade
[REDACTED]	none	RSB, American University
[REDACTED]	BA 100-27157	RU - Adex
[REDACTED]	BA 100-32053 WFO 100-58964	RU
[REDACTED]	BA 100-27918	RU
[REDACTED]	BA 100-29143	RU - Adex
[REDACTED]	BA 100-31148 WFO 100-55548	RU
[REDACTED]	BA 100-32913	none
[REDACTED]	BA 100-27694	RU

b7D
b7c

Baltimore is conducting no further investigation
regarding this matter.

DIRECTOR, FBI (105-280247)

6/23/75

LEGAT, [REDACTED] RUC)

[REDACTED] aka
(OO: Sacramento)

ReTOKlet; 3/3/75, and San Francisco LHM, 3/14/75.

[REDACTED] U. S. Army Counterintelligence Activity, Sana, Japan, advised on 6/20/75 as follows:

Subject has returned to the U.S. for discharge and will not be further utilized by Army intelligence.

[REDACTED] said that during one of subject's early meetings with the two Korean girls in Tokyo, he was given by the girls a packet of printed material which included clippings from "Winter Soldier." However, the girls said nothing about the material other than he should read it. The material was all anti-U.S. and/or pro-North Korea (NK).

[REDACTED] said his immediate thought was the possibility of a working relationship between the NK communists and Vietnam Veterans Against the War/Winter Soldier Organization (VVAW/WSO), but to date he has received no further information in this regard.

[REDACTED] added that plans are being made to further penetrate the espionage operation in Japan utilizing U.S. military personnel of Korean extraction as was started by subject. If and when this operation is resumed, he will advise Legat, Tokyo, and will be particularly alert for anything indicating any relationship between NK and VVAW/WSO.

- 5 - Bureau
(1 - Foreign Liaison Unit)
(2 - Sacramento)

- 2 - Tokyo
(1 - 100-1005)

RMS:11
(7)

SECRET

Classified by 90
Exempt from GDS, Category 2
Date of Declassification Indefinite

NOT RECORDED
191 JUL 28 1975

ORIGINAL FILED IN
UNRECORDED COPY FILED IN

b1